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FINAL RITES HELD SUNDAY FOR MRS. JAS. S. HARRISON

Died Friday As Result of Severe Burns Received February 12

Funeral services were held Sunday at the home for Mrs. James S. Harrison, 76, who succumbed last Friday as the result of burns that were suffered on February 12, when he clothing became ignited as she was standing near a heater.

The Rev. R. H. Lucas, pastor of the Baptist church, and Rev. N. A. Taylor, of the Christian church, officiated. Interment took place in the Windley cemetery near Plymouth. She had lived for years on the White Oak Neck road with her husband, who was a well-known farmer.

Hyde Men Hope To Raise Bond Money

Herry and Leslie Blake, of Fairfield, Hyde County, hope to have their bonds of \$2,500 each strengthened by Monday or Tuesday of next week, according to W. L. Whitley, chief of defense counsel, who represented the men, charged with robbing and shooting William W. Payne, deputy sheriff, several months ago, at a hearing in Fayetteville Wednesday before Judge N. A. Sinclair.

The prisoners stayed in jail here for several weeks until bonds were arranged. Last Saturday a week ago they were represented when the victim expressed an opinion that the men were the ones who attacked him. Their bonds when first brought to Plymouth were \$5,000 each but the amounts were reduced by Judge Sinclair.

Contest Winner Is Off for Hollywood

Priscilla Anne Lyon, attractive and talented six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Henry Lyon, of Plymouth, with her parents, left today for Hollywood.

Priscilla is the winner of the recent Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer screen test, held at Loew's State Theatre in Norfolk, when the M-G-M company was making a tour in search of new personalities.

Little Priscilla has appeared on several stages in North Carolina and Virginia and has been heard on the "Our Gang" program from radio station WTAR at Norfolk on numerous occasions.

Legion To Sponsor Dance Here Friday

Tonight, Friday, March 15, will be the first of a series of dances sponsored by the James E. Jethro post of the American Legion at their hall on Water Street.

Every first and third Friday night these dances will be held between the hours of 9:30 and 1:30. These dances are being sponsored by the Legion post to provide some good clean entertainment through the coming weeks as well as a means of raising some needed funds for furniture and equipment for their hall.

Baptist Sunday School Is Active

Setting their goal as 150, the Baptist Sunday school has developed an elaborate "increase attendance program" according to an announcement by J. R. Carr, superintendent. Banners are awarded the best two average classes every Sunday.

The attendance reached its percentage of attendance peak on March 3, when 120 out of an enrollment of 130 were present. Last Sunday it was 7 less than the Sabbath before. But the goal is expected to be reached by Easter Sunday.

City Council May Be Asked for Law To Keep Children Out of Local Cemeteries

Ghosts no longer enjoy the privilege of the cemeteries here alone as the youngsters of today know no fear of the haunting creatures and share with the apparitions the inhumanity of the quiet sleeping city.

And these deeds of the local "cowboys" are driving ladies of the Grace Episcopal Church and the Methodist Church to plan to request an ordinance of the City Council prohibiting the children from romping over the graves and grass yelling and shooting like "cowboys".

The young starshrd,shrdlshrdluhr The youngsters take vases and place them on valuts and then walk away a pace or two and shoot them with

FARM NOTES

By W. V. HAYS, Farm Agent
All cotton contract forms have been received at the county office. These are being typed and will be in the various townships for signing next Monday. This sign-up will last thru March 23rd, after which date the sign-up closes. Old contract signers are required to sign a special form indicating any change in their contract this year, such as the number of rented acres and the acres intended to plant.

Applications will be received by Stuart J. Woodley at Cherry; Edgar S. Woodley at Creswell for Scuppernon Township. F. L. Everett will be at Mrs. Jane Elliott's store in Skinnerville township. J. E. Davenport will accept contracts at Mackeys for Lees Mills Township and some one will be at Roper also; Plymouth Township applications will be made at the County Office in the courthouse at Plymouth.

The recent newspaper information on tobacco was misleading. Washington County has an allotment of 27.6 acres that can be given worthy tobacco tenants, those who have recently bought land and old tobacco growers who now have on land the equipment necessary for tobacco production. The number of applications now on land would, if pro-rated, give less than half an acre each. The necessary forms are now at the County office for making final applications.

The corn and hog contract signers of last year have about all signed for 1935. About 30 new contracts were made in Scuppernon Township. All contracts, applications, or changes will be made at the county office and must be completed by the end of the month.

All the peanut contracts have been tabulated and sent to Raleigh for review and conformation. Notices will be given to growers about the first of April as to acres to plant. The number of contracts signed in various townships are as follows: Lees Mill, 218; Plymouth, 181; Scuppernon 134; and Skinnerville 99.

Methodists To Hold Meet in Washington

Methodists from Plymouth, Roper, and Creswell will attend a group conference that is scheduled to be held in Washington, N. C., at Asbury church on Monday and Tuesday, March 17 and 18. Pastors from Washington County to attend will be Rev. K. F. Duvall, of Plymouth; and Rev. E. L. Stack, of Roper.

Dr. E. J. Reeves, of the Washington church, will serve as group leader, and will preside over the first group conference of the year. A large crowd from here is expected to attend.

Alexander To Open Retail Grocery Here

A. L. Alexander is extending his business into the retail grocery division. He is opening a store in the quarters next to his present wholesale stand on Washington Street in the Owens building. His son, Herman H. (Spunk) Alexander will operate the retail grocery. This will be done in addition to the general brokerage business he has been conducting.

Attends Baptist Meet at Windsor

Rev. R. R. Lucas, of Plymouth, attended the two-day session conference at Cashie Baptist church, Windsor, last Tuesday and Wednesday. He heard the conference leaders, M. A. Hudgins, of Raleigh; M. O. Alexander, of Cary; and other Baptist leaders discuss before the two-score pastors present problems confronting the church today.

Show Much Interest In Bridge Proposal

New interest is being manifested in many quarters of Bertie and Washington counties over the proposed highway from Sans Souci to Merry Hill and Midway Service Station linking with the concrete from Edenton to Windsor.

Citizens from the lower section of Bertie recently expressed a strong desire for early action and they are joined in this by many from Washington County. Even interest is manifested down as far as Tyrrell.

This road would give an outlet to a thickly settled area and would mean a connecting length with Edenton and Norfolk for citizens of Tyrrell, Washington, and Beaufort.

For years a connection between the lower end of Bertie and Plymouth has been sought. Once a few years ago a ferry was operated between Plymouth and Sans Souci, but this was abandoned. Now some of these Bertie people come into Plymouth to trade by boats.

Bateman Is Made Kentucky Colonel

H. D. Bateman, of Wilson, president of the Branch Banking & Trust Company, who was born and reared in Washington County, was here on business Wednesday. Friends here were addressing him as "Colonel."

Governor Ruby Laffoon, of Kentucky, has appointed Mr. Bateman to his staff to serve as colonel along with other prominent men of the country. This title is honorary and is bestowed on people who have achievements to their credit in some realm.

Schedule for Home Agent Next Week

Following is the schedule of club meetings for next week, as announced by the county home demonstration agent, Miss Patterson.

Monday afternoon, March 18, at 1:10 o'clock, Plymouth 4-H club.
Monday afternoon, at 2:30, County Bridge Club.

Tuesday, March 19, Pleasant Grove club.
Wednesday morning, Roper 4-H clubs.

Wednesday afternoon, Swains.
Thursday morning, Creswell and Cherry 4-H clubs.

Thursday afternoon, Creswell Woman's Club.
Friday afternoon, Alba.
Saturday morning, curb market.

Baptists Will Meet Friday and Saturday

Baptists from this section are expected to attend the Eastern Regional Baptist Training Union Convention, which will be held at the Baptist church in Washington, N. C., Friday and Saturday of this week. The program will begin at 2 p. m. Friday.

The Baptist church, which will be host to the gathering, is under the leadership of Rev. J. R. Everett, who started his pastoral work in Plymouth and was here for several years. A large number from Plymouth and Washington County are expected to attend.

Iredell Dairymen To Dig Additional Trench Silos

Iredell dairymen plan to dig additional trench silos this summer and a number are having their barns remodeled preparatory to more efficient dairy work.

Caswell Farmers Have Put In Orders for Lespedeza

Caswell farmers have ordered 2,200 pounds of lespedeza seed cooperatively to date, with other orders being planned.

State May Give Aid In Operating Ferry Across Albemarle

Capus Waynick and Julian Wood To Determine State Support

It appears now that the State of North Carolina will aid in the operation of the Edenton-Mackeys ferry. It has been operated for years by private interests, but no one has made much money out of it. Now the state will help.

Capus M. Waynick, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, and Julian Wood, a member of the commission from Edenton, will study a method for State operation or help by the State in operating this ferry line.

They will determine whether to buy a ferry boat, lease the line, buy a line or what to do about it. Appointment of Mr. Wood to this commission meant a step forward in getting ferry operation by the State as he knows the section and would take more interest in the matter than others have manifested.

Local Girl Weds Baseball Player

Cupid snared Clyde William Humphreys, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Humphreys, of St. Clairsville, Ohio, here Monday, when he was married to Miss Florence Gardner, of Plymouth, daughter of Mrs. T. T. Gardner, and another baseball player had joined the ranks of the married.

Humphreys is a left-handed pitcher who was signed by the New York Yankee organization when he came out of high school. He won 9 games and lost 3 for Wheeling, W. Va., in the season of 1933 and was promoted to the Norfolk Tars last year.

Because of some misunderstanding he left the Yankee fold the latter part of 1934 when transferred back to Wheeling and drifted down to Plymouth with a sore arm. He was manager of the Rocks during the latter part of 1934 in the Albemarle League.

The last game of the season that he hurled was a masterpiece, as the kinks came out of his arm. This season he feels great. Now he is with Binghamton, N. Y., and is training with that club in Portsmouth, Va. He has been practicing in a gym and proclaims that his arm is in "fine shape."

The couple was married in a ceremony that was beautiful in its simplicity by the Rev. K. F. Duvall, pastor of the Methodist church here. Mrs. Humphreys will remain here until the club leaves Portsmouth for Binghamton, on April 24.

Start Monday on Fair Premium List

Mrs. Bessie Ballard, of Kinston, will be in Plymouth and this section Monday to begin to prepare a premium list for the Greater Plymouth Fair which will be held here October 14-19, under the auspices of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce at Kinston and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

This fair is to serve Washington, Tyrrell, and portions of Martin and Beaufort Counties. W. R. Hampton, of Plymouth, has been named chairman of the executive committee with helpers named in the following communities: Jamesville, Columbia, Creswell, Roper, Mackeys, Wenona, with more to be named later.

Peanut Production Information Sought

A request has been received from Dr. L. S. Briscoe, deputy state veterinarian in the Large and Small Animal Hospital, Blytheville, Arkansas, requesting information on the production of peanuts and the letter has been turned over to Farm Agent Hays for a reply.

"Will you please give me some data on the cultivation of peanuts? I was told that was the main crop raised around your place, and I want to try an acre in this part of the country."

Repairs Being Made By Owners of Homes

Through the facilities of the home owners loan corporation of the government, several people of the town and community have been able to make much-needed repairs to their homes. Some have put on new roofs and some have had their homes made more attractive by paint and repairs, while a few have paid off mortgages standing for some time.

Richard Carr Come in First In Beacon's Prize Contest

Old-Age Pension Speaker Will Be Here Friday, 7:30

Voters Urged To Sign Petitions by State Manager For Plan

"About 35,000,000 voters have already signed and sent in petitions, but more of these are needed," said W. B. Fisher, of Andrews, North Carolina manager for the Townsend old-age pension plan, who will explain the pension bill that is now in Congress to the people of Washington County at the courthouse in Plymouth, on Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p. m.

"All voters are invited to sign petitions and opportunity will be afforded without charge. The bill provides that the government pay to all citizens of the United States, man or woman, over 60 years of age, \$200 per month on two conditions. "First, that the job held by the aged person be given up to a younger unemployed person; second, to spend the entire amount of the pension every 30 days. This sounds too good to be true. But don't let the people make up their minds until they have heard it discussed."

"I would like for all citizens, men and women, in the county in to become familiar with this pension and business recovery plan," said Mr. Fisher in a letter to the Beacon.

Chevrolet Service Is Stressed by Slogan On Desks of Dealers

"Never Forget a Customer; Never Let Him Forget You" Is Guide

"Never forget a customer—Never let him forget you." Originated by William E. Holler, general sales manager of Chevrolet Motor Company, this now famous slogan is placed above the desks of Chevrolet dealers throughout the country, and it is a guide to relations between Chevrolet owners and dealers everywhere.

"The value to the motorist of his contact with the automobile dealer of today," said Mr. Holler, in commenting on this subject, "is determined largely by the ability of the dealer to meet the motorist's demands. Especially is this true as it applies to service on cars already sold."

"Today Chevrolet is in the hands of approximately 10,000 dealers in this country alone. This means that the complete service facilities of one of the world's largest distributing organizations are at the disposal of owners of more than 5,000,000 Chevrolet cars now in operation in every state in the Union."

"It has been, and always will be the constant aim of Chevrolet dealers to serve car owners with complete maintenance facilities," said Mr. Holler. "The service rendered to Chevrolet owners is not only thorough and comprehensive, but scientific and meticulous. We insist that every dealer's service man be a specialist in his line."

"Chevrolet maintains a service manager and a crew of service instructors in every one of its 43 zones for the purpose of training dealers' service managers and mechanics in the best-known methods of shop practice and service station management. At regular intervals, classes are held in each zone for service men from surrounding territories."

B. Y. P. U. To Hold Meet in Columbia

A B. Y. P. U. and Sunday school convention will be held at the Salem Baptist church in Columbia April 13 and 14, it was announced today by Stanley McCullough, of Roper, president.

The convention will be opened at 10 a. m. Saturday with a sermon by Rev. Jarvis Melton. Rev. C. R. Anthony will also speak. Sunday morning at 10 Rev. J. A. Lester will speak. Music will be featured by Salem Baptist choir. Prof. J. J. Clemmons, of Roper, will speak at 2:45 Sunday.

Edgecombe Mutual Group Ships 67 Hogs to Market

The Edgecombe Mutual Livestock association recently shipped 67 head of hogs, weighing a total of 13,835 pounds, to a Richmond market.

FEDERATION

The county federation of home demonstration clubs will hold its spring meeting in the Baptist church at Creswell on Thursday afternoon, March 28. It has been two years since the federation met at Creswell, and it is hoped this meeting will be well attended. Everybody make your plans for that time to be present. An interesting program is planned.—Home Agent.

Creswell Loses To Benson in Tourney

Creswell.—The Creswell high school boys' basketball team was eliminated in the first round by Benson in the Northeastern High School Invitational basketball tournament held at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson last week.

The Johnston County boys defeated Creswell, 30 to 6. Benson led, 17 to 4, at the half and added 13 more points in the last period, while Creswell was garnering 2 points. J. Davenport was the best for Creswell.

Creswell has won 8 and lost 2 games this season. They played in the class B section of the tourney which included schools of less than 250 in the high school. Boys taking the trip were Raymond Davenport, Ernest Davenport, Jewel Davenport, Ralph Spruill, Robert Hathaway, Preston Woodley, Coach L. B. Adcox, Odix Godwin, and Principal C. H. Aderholdt.

Farm Class To Make Trip of Inspection

The Young Tar Heel Farmers Club of the Columbia High School in Tyrrell County is planning a trip to Washington and Martin Counties some time in the future to visit dairy farms. This is for practice in the livestock judging contest that is to be held soon.

All of the 35 boys in the class under Pat Duncan will enter the animal judging competition, but only two will go to Raleigh.

Junior Ball Team To Be Organized Here

Through the help of the American Legion with Chief P. W. Brown as athletic officer the boys of the town are planning to organize a junior baseball team for the coming season, all boys desiring to play on the team are urged to see Edwin McNair so he can get a list of players for the team to be organized at once. Any boy under 17 years of age that can play baseball is eligible for the team.

As soon as the team is organized, practice will start under the supervision of Chief Brown.

Negro Injured in Car Wreck Sunday

Thomas McCullough, young negro man, is said to be recovering in a Rocky Mount hospital from injuries sustained when a car which he was driving smashed into a tree on the side of the street in Roper Sunday. He is the son of Stanley McCullough, well known and well-liked negro church and Sunday school worker in Washington County.

McCullough suffered injuries about the eyes, head and face and was considered in a serious condition when rushed to a hospital. White people here respect the entire family.

Dardens Man Hurt In Unusual Accident

Dardens.—Grady Davenport, of Dardens, hurt his left hand severely when a wrench which he was using to tighten a bolt on a plow slipped, causing him to lose his hold, thus slapping the back of his hand against a sharp edge of the heel.

Sinews of two middle fingers were severed below the wrist. It was necessary for these to be sewed together. Also his two fingers were put in a splint. It is said that it will take weeks for them to completely heal. Grady was well known in Plymouth, where he was a member of the town basketball squad.

Mrs. S. F. Darden and Miss T. T. Gardner Next; Others Share

Miss Callie Davenport and Mrs. H. D. Peele Also Get Cash Prizes

The Roanoke Beacon subscription campaign is over. The six weeks drive came to a close the past Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock with the awarding of more than \$600 in cash prizes and cash commissions.

The first prize of \$300 went to J. Richard Carr, of Plymouth, with a total vote cast of 207,760. Second prize winner was Mrs. S. F. Darden, of Route 1, Plymouth, with total number of votes of 167,660 and a prize of \$150. Third prize, of \$75, was given to Miss Winona T. Gardner, also of Plymouth; fourth to Miss Callie Davenport, \$50; and fifth and final award of \$25 went to Mrs. H. D. Peele, of Roper.

All the other candidates were rewarded for their efforts by a cash commission of 30 cents on each and every subscription turned in.

The Roanoke Beacon takes this opportunity to thank all who took part in the enterprise and made it a complete success. Several hundred new subscriptions have been added to the list, the old subscribers put on a paid-up basis, and the paper is left with a subscription list that merits the continued support of its many advertisers.

The report of the judges, as signed by them immediately following the final count and recheck of the votes cast follows:

- "We, the undersigned, duly appointed judges in The Roanoke Beacon subscription and prize campaign hereby testify that we took over the locked ballot box at the close of the contest this date, and after a careful count and recheck of the votes cast find the winners of the various prizes to be as follows:
- "First prize, \$300, J. R. Carr, votes 207,760.
- "Second prize, \$150, Mrs. S. F. Darden, votes 167,660.
- "Third prize, \$75, Miss Winona T. Gardner, votes 66,190.
- "Fourth prize, \$50, Miss Calla Davenport, votes 28,093.
- "Fifth prize, \$25, Mrs. H. D. Peele, votes 19,745.

FRANK L. BRINKLEY, GILBERT DAVIS, "Judges." "March 9, 1935."

Sunday School Meet At Creswell Sunday

Creswell.—"A Model Home" is the subject of an address to be made by E. R. Davenport at the Scuppernon Sunday School Convention which will be held in the Methodist Protestant church at Creswell on Sunday, March 17.

The song service will be led by R. L. Leitchfield. Scripture will be read and a prayer offered by President Aaron Davenport. Miss Ruth Miller will give a reading. Rev. W. H. Hollowell will speak on "A Model Sunday School."

A banner will be awarded the Sunday school having the best attendance in consideration of the miles traveled. Mr. Davenport asks that a large crowd be present.

\$28,673 Paid County Farmers Last Month

A total of \$28,673.69 in rental and benefit payments had been distributed by January 31 to Washington County farmers who have been cooperating in the crop adjustment programs. This sum was based on latest tabulations of AAA payments, includes all money that has been disbursed in Washington County since adjustment programs were started, but does not include all 1934 payments. Recipients include tobacco and cotton growers, hog producers, and other cooperating in the AAA programs.

18 Boys Out for Creswell Team

Creswell.—Eighteen members of the Creswell High School have reported for baseball workouts. The team will be selected soon. Mr. Ernest Davenport and Wilson Spruill will be pitchers. The team has new equipment and a new grandstand which will hold 200 or more people. They will play their first game in about two weeks.