

Death Claims S. F. Nicks; Rites Held



The Rev. Samuel F. Nicks, 72, died Monday afternoon at 4:30 in Watts hospital in Durham.

The Rev. Mr. Nicks served as Methodist minister for 42 years. His entire service was in the Durham district and his churches were in the Burlington circuit, Pellem, Milton, Yanceyville, Leesburg, Hillsboro, Brookside and Cedar Grove. He retired from service in November, 1945.

He attended Siler City high school and Trinity College which is now Duke University, class of 1903. He was admitted to the North Carolina Methodist Conference at Goldsboro in 1903.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Woods Nicks of Hillsboro; two daughters, Mrs. Stella N. Sanfield of Roxboro; and Mrs. Katherine N. McDade of Cedar Grove; two sons, John R. Nicks of Swepsonville and Robert L. Nicks of Hillsboro; one sister, Mrs. Lola N. Teer of Swepsonville; one brother, W. J. Nicks of Graham; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral service were conducted Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. See (NICKS) on Page 5

THE NEWS Asks . . .

This is the first of a weekly feature of THE NEWS. This month the Rural Free Delivery service is celebrating its 50th anniversary. The NEWS has asked several Orange countians this week, "What has RFD meant to you?"

The following are the answers received:

Mrs. Claude J. Dunn, Route 1, Effand: "To me it means receiving the newspapers regularly. I would not like to have to get along without the paper, and without RFD I could not receive them."

Mrs. John Freeland, Route 2, Chapel Hill: "I didn't realize just how much I appreciated RFD until last winter when the roads became impassable for the mailman. I was just about ready to walk the seven miles to Chapel Hill to get the mail when the weather cleared up."

Mrs. Clarence Cole, Route 3, Chapel Hill: "I think that I shall appreciate RFD more when I have my mailbox moved nearer to my house. It is half a mile away now. Mr. Kirkland has been very nice, however, about bringing packages too large for the box to the house."

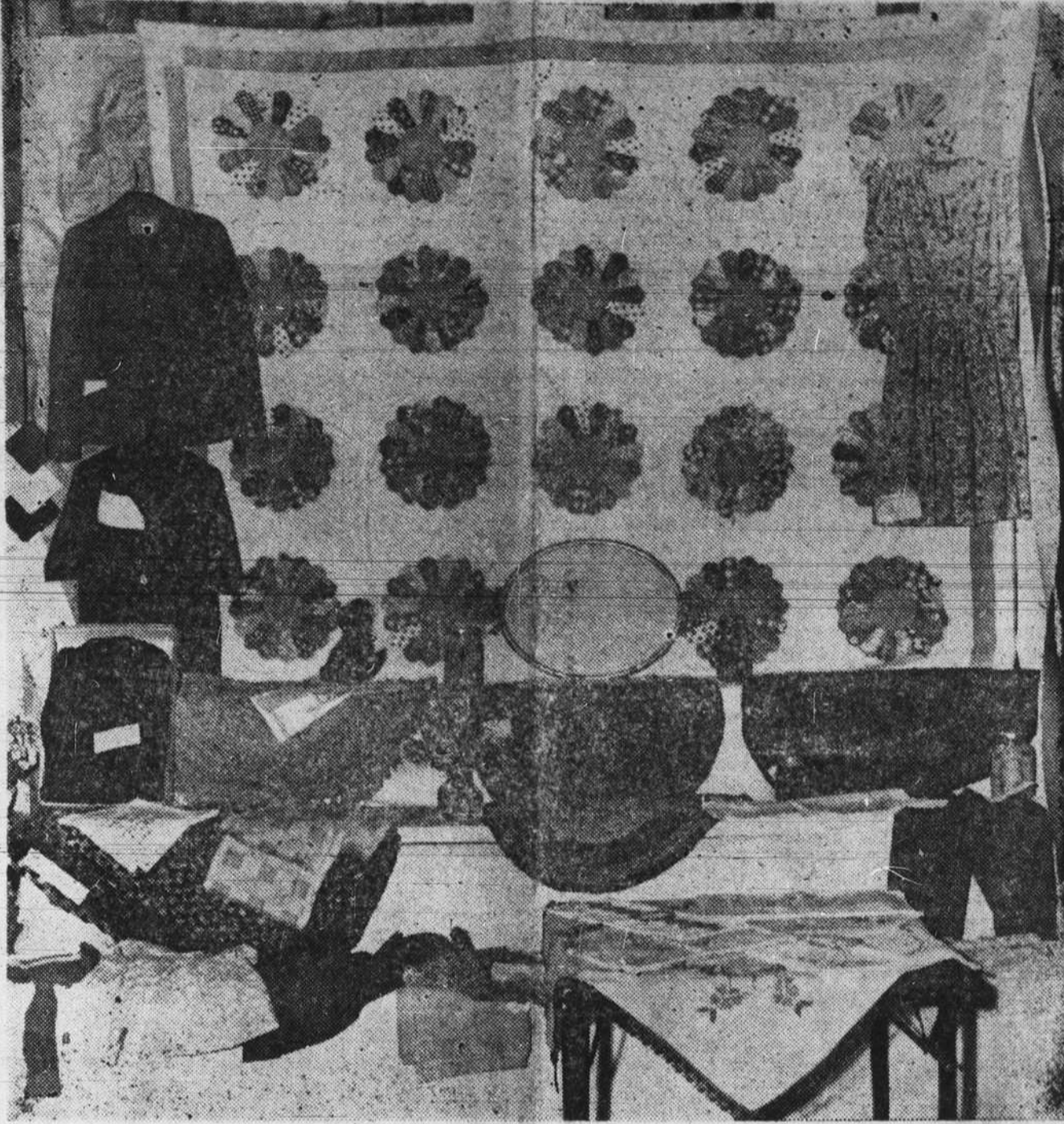
Mrs. J. F. Gibbs, Route 3, Hillsboro: "I am glad that I can get my mail regularly without having to go into town every day for it."

Mrs. F. S. Tapp, Route 2, Chapel Hill: "RFD enables me to receive mail daily. Otherwise I would receive it only when I went to town, which would usually be once a week."

Scenes At Home Demonstration Club Meeting



Wearing hats illustrating topics studied during the year are four ladies from the Fairfield club. Left to right they are: Mrs. Claude Dunn, Mrs. J. D. Graham, Mrs. Roland Taylor and Mrs. J. L. Scotton.



One of the many exhibits at the Home Demonstration club meeting held last Tuesday, October 22, was that on needlework put up by the Strowd Hill club. It did not win a prize, but it is an indication of the type of work being done by the club members in the county. The prize winning exhibits were in the process of being taken down when the photographer got around to taking the pictures.

Exhibit winners and dress revue winners were reported in last week's issue. Winners in other divisions were: quilts—Mrs. Rhoda Buck, Strowd Hill, first (shown in the above picture); Miss Martha Lloyd, Antioch Road, second; and Mrs. Franklin, Tram Road, third; embroidery—Mrs. E. F. Cude, Carr-Aycock, first; Mrs. Marvin Cheek, Calvander, second; and Mrs. Luke Conner, Strowd Hill, third;

Clothing—Mrs. Ivan Lloyd, Antioch road, coat, first; Mrs. John Cate, Calvander, skirt, second; Mrs. M. P. Efland, Efland, dress, third; handicraft—Mrs. Clarence Sharp, Fairfield, animals; Mrs. Roland Taylor, Fairfield, rugs, second; and Mrs. Marvin Phelps, Schley, basket, third; canning—Mrs. H. M. Perry, Orange Grove, peaches, first; Miss Strowd, Calvander, peas, second; and Mrs. Lewis Freeland, Blackwood-New Hope, pears, third.

No Progress Is Reported In Robbery Investigation

Orange county officers reported Tuesday no progress in the investigation of the break-ins occurring Sunday night in two Hillsboro business houses.

Gilmore Motor company and the Hillsboro Sundry were invaded and ransacked, but investigation so far has failed to reveal any clues.

A sum of money was reported taken from the Sundry while George Gilmore said that as far as he could tell nothing was missing from his garage. Gilmore said that his desk and files had been turned over and emptied of their contents.

Entrance to the garage was gained through a rear window. A glass window surrounding the office was broken in gaining admittance to the office proper, officers reported.

From all indications, the thief was a small man since the holes in the glass and the window through which the thief entered were very small. Opinion was expressed that a small boy working with an older man might have been responsible for the deeds.

Entrance was gained in the Sundry through a revolving fan in the rear window. The blades were bent over to make it possible for a man to squeeze through, it was reported.

Amount of money taken was not reported.

State Alumni Plan Meeting

New officers for the State College club will be elected at a meeting to be held November 6 at 8 p.m. in the Masonic hall in Hillsboro, John P. Ballard announced this week.

A program has not definitely been arranged as yet, but plans are being made to show the pictures of State's victory over Duke this year.

Dean of students, Cloyd, will make the principal address.

All members of the club and other State College Alumni are requested to attend the meeting.

Sugar Stamps Are Extended

Spare Stamps No. 9 and No. 10, used for home canning sugar will continue good throughout November, OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson announced recently.

Originally slated to expire October 31, these stamps have been extended because millions of housewives around the nation have been unable to spend them, due to the scarcity of sugar, Johnson said.

Commissioners Face Many Decisions During Winter

Collier Cobb, Jr., chairman of the Orange county board of commissioners, speaking informally last week outlined the work facing the commissioners in the next few weeks.

Of prime importance, the chairman asserted, is the planning of a building program for the county, both for repairs to the present court house and the construction of an office building to house the many county offices now using rented space.

SCHOOL PROGRAM

The chairman further stated that a school repair and building program was facing the board. The problem of the consolidation of the Negro schools in the county is expected to receive a thorough study not only by the commissioners but also by the county board of education.

At present the Negro schools are situated in many places, some spots so inaccessible that school officials on inspection tours are not able to drive their automobiles to the

school site. It is planned to make a study of the population trend among the Negro citizens in the county and to construct consolidated schools where they will serve the most people.

PROPERTY REVALUATION

Cobb also referred to the property revaluation which is expected to be made shortly after the first of the year. He said that a problem would face the tax listers in correctly listing all the property in the county.

He especially referred to the fact that the tax listers will have to be extremely careful during the property purchased during the war years when values were high. "Our aim will be to strike a medium between the valuation of property now on the books and the valuation of property purchased and improved during the past several years when construction and labor costs were high," he said.

To do this, it was pointed out, it will be necessary in many instances to have a revaluation. See (COMMISSIONERS) Page 5.

New Hope Recreation Center Serves Needs In Community

By Mae V. Lark

A new recreation center was recently established in the New Hope community, with the Presbyterian church hut as its headquarters. The project is sponsored by the Grange and is for the benefit of all the folks, of all ages, in the New Hope and surrounding communities.

The center is open every Saturday night from 8 to 10 p.m. with a committee of Edgar Campbell, chairman; Mrs. Winston Strayhorn, Mrs. Will Nunn, and Miss Carrie Lockhart, in charge.

Large Attendance

Since its opening several weeks ago, the center has had a surprisingly large attendance for the Saturday night parties, and the program committee is well pleased with the amount of interest shown.

Various forms of entertainment are available for those attending. There are ping-pong, checkers, darts, indoor horse-shoe pitching, and card games, the favorite of which seems to be rook.

A piano has been purchased and several community sings have been held.

Refreshments Served

Refreshments are served at a small charge. Proceeds are to be used to buy new games and other equipment for the center.

Ladies of the New Hope community are planning a brunswick stew supper and a play to be held at an early date. Proceeds from this will be used to pay for the new piano.

Many other plans are developing to make the project interesting to everyone.

Reward Posted

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Merchants Association has posted a reward of \$25 for information leading to the arrest of persons responsible for the recent series of break-ins and thefts experienced by a number of Chapel Hill merchants.

Lions Club Hears Talk By Durham

Prefacing his remarks with the statement that he always welcomed the opportunity of appearing before "home folks," Representative Carl T. Durham of Chapel Hill, the sixth district's congressman, spoke to the members of the Hillsboro Lions club last Thursday noon.

Following his speech in which he touched upon conditions in the world, pointing to the need of co-operation and a mutual understanding in the many problems facing the world today, the congressman answered a number of questions raised by the members of the club.

In response to a question about the construction of a post office here, Durham said that the money had been appropriated and that construction would begin when materials and labor became available for the job. A total of \$95,000 has been requested for the work here.

Tubercular Sales

The club voted in a business session to sponsor the sales of tubercular Christmas seal sales. Last year the club performed a similar function.

President Don S. Matheson appointed a committee of C. B. Parris, chairman, G. A. Brown, the Rev. Charles S. Hubbard and Ed Barnes to handle the sales. A. L. Stanback, principal of the Negro school here, will also be asked to serve with the Lions committee in promoting the sales among the colored folks in the county.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

A Halloween party will be held at White Cross school Thursday night, October 31, beginning at 8 p.m. The program will include entertainment by the school, many contests and games. A prize will be given for the best costume.

Good Health Group Meets November 4

A meeting will be held in the King Cotton hotel in Greensboro on Monday, November 4, for the purpose of completing plans for the Good Health Association's educational publicity campaign.

Representatives from Orange county are expected to attend the meeting along with representatives from other counties in this section.

REA Allotted More Money

An additional allotment of \$291,000 for construction of new REA lines has been granted the Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation in Hillsboro, F. E. Joyner, supervisor, reported this week.

This allotment is in addition to a sum of \$265,000 recently granted the corporation. Joyner said Orange county's share of the allotment would add approximately 70 additional miles of rural electric lines in Orange county, making it possible for 200 new members to secure electricity.

"No construction can be started, however," he said, "until we can get materials and labor. At present we are receiving quotations for delivery of materials in 1948 and 1949."

LEGION PLANS BARBECUE

Chapel Hill.—The Chapel Hill Post No. 6 of the American Legion is scheduling a barbecue in celebration of Armistice Day this year, the celebration to be held on November 8, at the American Legion hut on Rosemary street. Members of the post and the auxiliary and their guests are invited to attend.

General Election Vote Is Tuesday

Employment Office Is Transferred

Chapel Hill.—The Chapel Hill branch office of the United States employment office is to be closed on October 31, with headquarters for Orange county being located in the Durham office, according to Supervising Interviewer Louis Berini, in charge of the local office.

Berini stated that he was being transferred to the Durham office of the employment service, where his duties will be those of supervising interviewer also. He will continue to serve the Chapel Hill and Hillsboro areas from that office.

Under the new system, Berini or another Employment Service representative will be located in the town hall in Chapel Hill on Mondays, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., for servicing applicants. On Fridays he will contact employers in this locality.

For some time, Berini has been following an itinerant schedule on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, visiting Hillsboro during those days. The Hillsboro itinerant schedule will not be affected by transfer of facilities from Chapel Hill to Durham.

E. E. Mason, claim taker in the Chapel Hill office for some months, is being transferred to the Durham office where he will be working on a special assignment with the Unemployment Commission.

Polls in the 16 Orange county precincts will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m. Tuesday in the General Election, R. O. Forrest, chairman of the county board of elections, announced this week.

Democratic candidates in the election are: William H. Murdock, solicitor; James Webb, State senate; J. W. Umstead, house of representatives; S. T. Latta, sheriff; Edwin Lynch, clerk of court; J. Ed Laws, register of deeds; G. G. Bivins, treasurer; H. J. Walker, coroner; Collier Cobb, Jr., Ben F. Wilson and H. G. Laws, county commissioners; and George W. Hunt, Hillsboro township constable.

Republican candidates are: J. R. Evans, house of representatives; Luther T. Parker, sheriff; Max C. Weaver, clerk of superior court; Red H. Woods, register of deeds; and D. L. McBane, S. C. Hundley and H. H. Brown, county commissioners.

STATE VOTE

Raleigh—Approximately 600,000 North Carolinians are expected to vote Nov. 5 on two constitutional amendments, two Supreme Court justices, 12 Congressmen, 11 Superior Court judges, 21 solicitors, 120 members of the State House of Representatives and 50 Senators.

State officials set their vote estimate unusually high on the basis of intense public interest in the affairs of government, and the fact that in addition to the State offices, numerous local offices are at stake.

On the other hand, however, little public interest has been exhibited in the two proposed constitutional amendments: to allow women to serve in juries and to allow legislators \$10 a day for expenses.

Scout Fund Drive Success; Youth Center Debt Cleared

Credit Bureau Accepts Group

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Merchants Association has been admitted to the Associated Credit Bureaus of America.

Announcement of the acceptance of membership of the organization was made in a bulletin to members. The announcement said:

Membership in the organization entails numerous responsibilities among them promptness in returning reports. We shall receive numerous benefits from the above and your bulletin will furnish you in turn with all important information from the above source. In reporting to the above Association we ask that you give us your cooperation by furnishing all information requested in all reports: (Age of account, Highest Credit, amount due, amount past due and manner of payment.) So we may return our reports within twenty-four hours.

Final debt on the Youth Center constructed in Hillsboro for the use of the youth of the town has been paid, James Webb, chairman of a recent drive to solicit funds for the center and for Boy Scouts, has reported.

Webb said this week that a total of \$1,312 had been pledged by Hillsboro citizens, making it possible to pay off the debt of \$800. Total investment in the Youth Center is now \$4,000, he added.

The remainder of the amount collected by members of the committee has been turned over to the scout council for Boy Scout work in Hillsboro and in the county.

Webb issued a statement in which he thanked the members of the committee for their work and the citizens of Hillsboro and territory for their contributions to the cause.

In Chapel Hill this week, E. Carlington Smith said the drive in that vicinity was still in progress. He said that it would probably be completed in the near future.

Champion Corn In Orange



Joe Wilson, champion corn grower in Orange county, is pictured in the above shot standing in his corn field. William (Bert) Thompson of Columbus, Miss., stands to Joe's right in the picture.

Orange county's corn growing champions were honored at a barbecue held last Thursday afternoon on the farm of J. R. Whitfield, route 2, Chapel Hill.

The Bank of Chapel Hill, sponsors of the contest, was the host for the barbecue which was attended by approximately 60 persons. Among those present were Carl T. Durham, the sixth district's congressman; Collier Cobb, Jr., chairman of the county board of commissioners; and Ben F. Wilson, member of the commissioners.

Dr. A. B. Krantz of State College, an expert on growing corn and on how to increase the yield of corn, pointed out in a short talk the many advantages of increased

corn acreage in the county. He asserted that the results of the contest proved beyond any question of doubt that the county's average of slightly over 21 bushels to the acre could be increased by following certain rules of cultivation.

Ed Barnes, assistant county agent, served as master of ceremonies and Don S. Matheson, county agent, introduced the speaker.

W. E. Thompson, executive vice president of the Bank of Chapel Hill, presented the prizes to the three winners: Joe Wilson, \$100 government bond; J. R. Whitfield, \$25 bond; and Raymond Weaver, route 1, Hillsboro, \$10 in cash.