

COMMANDER P. Y. JACKSON SPEAKS TO KINSMEN HERE

Annual Reunion Marked By Keen Interest In Science and Warm Cor- diality

Perry Yates Jackson, of Annapolis, Md., Commander in the United States Navy, was the featured speaker on the program at the annual Tyson-May reunion held here, Friday after Thanksgiving, in the D. A. R. Chapter House.

The Commander, who is well known as a scientist as well as a distinguished naval officer, held his audience spellbound as he discussed the Atomic Universe and the discoveries of science from a viewpoint differing from what the average layman has been led to believe is being diffused throughout the colleges and universities by the teachings of the modern day scientist.

Commander Jackson's constructive and enlightening address was received with keen interest. He said in part:

"The gods of the ancient religions were created by scientists in an attempt to explain the material universe; they were creations, not creators, and the scientists of those days showed the same inability to grasp the spiritual significance of the universe which persists in our own day."

"Scientists, in their search for truth, have eagerly rejected the ideas of their predecessors. One of the earliest scientific doctrines was that the world was created not out of anything material but out of divine energy. This is the idea that we would get from the Biblical story of creation. During materialistic centuries this explanation seemed untenable; but within the last few years developments in physics and chemistry have indicated the apparent truth of the older theory. It is only energy, not matter, which reaches the senses and so can be observed and studied; the energy is real, while the matter is only inferred because it cannot be studied directly. The atoms of solid materials like iron have been taken apart, and found to consist of bits of energy like light and electricity; there is no iron to be discovered by the closest examination of the substance we call iron. Our physical bodies too are composed of atoms, and so our bodies, no less than our souls, seem to be composed of that divine energy. The transformation of solid material atoms of matter into other forms of energy, such as light and heat, is like creation in reverse; this change was unknown a generation ago, but today it is this reaction which is responsible for the effect of the so-called atomic bomb. A small amount of the form of energy which we call 'matter' can be transformed into vast amounts of heat and light."

"We see souls to each other much as a ghost would probably seem real to another ghost; but fundamentally we are spiritual beings, not material in the way that our ancestors thought of material things."

"The scientist is convinced that the firmament showeth His handiwork, and that it is more marvelous than he can comprehend. He fails to grasp the physical universe because he can see it only partially. He has certain senses, seeing, hearing, etc., sufficient for his physical existence, but not sufficient to penetrate far into the mysteries. He sees the form of energy called light, hears the energy vibrations called sound waves, and feels repulsions like those of magnetic poles when he touches an object; but his senses are far too limited in number. Just as a blind man does not know differences in color, or a deaf man different notes in music, so is the scientist blind and deaf. He does not know what makes the human race laugh, because he does not know what he is missing. He only knows that he cannot perceive the true nature of the physical world."

"On the other hand the eyes of faith penetrate to certain truths revealed to the inner understanding, not related to materialism. These truths of religion remain true, and do not shift as do scientific dogmas with each new bit of material evidence. Whenever apparent contradictions arise in the beliefs of intelligent religious people, a Bible study shows that the differences are in the interpretation of evidence concerning material, not spiritual, observations, and are due not to the superior knowledge of one group but to the ignorance of all if the progress of science ever leads to a satisfactory understanding of the physical world. It will be through the recognition of the spiritual basis of what we call the physical world."

The speaker was introduced by Mrs. W. H. Gillette, Jr., of Richmond, Va., immediate past president of the reunion.

John T. Smith, of Wilson, 1st vice president, presided and conducted the program devoted to reminiscences of the late Dr. J. T. Tyson, of La-

MISS MORTON PASSES IN ROCKY MOUNT

Miss Emma Morton, of Rocky Mount, who retired last spring after 45 years of service as a teacher and principal in the Rocky Mount schools, died early Wednesday afternoon in a hospital following a period of declining health. She was about 65 years old. Miss Morton started teaching in 1901 and for 25 years served as principal of the Old West School and from 1940 to 1945 was principal of Braswell School, which replaced West. She was the daughter of the late Dr. William B. Morton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Mrs. Morton. Surviving are a sister-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Hubbard, of Farmville, and a nephew, Bill Morton, of Farmville and Richmond, Va.

McArthur spoke briefly. Miss Nancy Lewis extended a cordial welcome to the reunion organization and honored guests on behalf of the Farmville members.

Mrs. Edward May, secretary, gave an interesting account of the last meeting, at which Major General Allen H. Turnage was honored as a distinguished guest. Attention was called to his new rank of Lieutenant General and new command of the Pacific which moves his headquarters to Pearl Harbor.

The genealogical report was given by Miss Tabitha DeVisconti, who had on display the two family trees of the reunion. Miss DeVisconti had a record of thirty marriages and twenty-five births which had occurred in the reunion organization during the past year. She also took the opportunity at this time to introduce members of Commander Jackson's family present on this occasion. Included were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jackson, of Wake Forest; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Jackson, of Henderson; A. T. Jackson, of Wake Forest; A. A. Jackson and daughter, Caroline, of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Jackson, of Washington, and Mrs. George Anderson, Jr., of Greensboro.

Other descendants of the two pioneer families attending the reunion for the first time were presented also, together with a number who had not attended for several years. At Dr. J. Y. Joyner's suggestion, the assemblage stood to honor Miss DeVisconti, whom he designated as "the guardian angel of the reunion."

The Rev. E. R. Clegg, pastor of the Methodist Church, conducted the memorial service for the fifteen members who had "fallen asleep" since the previous meeting, and the assemblage rose in a gesture of silent tribute to their memory. Special note was made of the recent passing of Mrs. Sue May Sheppard, one of the most loyal supporters and promoters of the reunion organization, and of that of the Rev. C. B. Mashburn, whose funeral was to be held in the afternoon. The beloved minister, who was pastor of the Christian Church here for 20 years had been "honored" as he often remarked, by adoption into the family many years before, and was a regular attendant at the reunions. The Rev. Mr. Clegg was adopted as his successor by a formal vote at this time.

Mrs. Knott Proctor, of Greenville, was soloist and delighted the assemblage with two selections. Mrs. J. W. Joyner was accompanist.

During the business session, the following officers were elected and presented: Mrs. Chas. H. Moxingo, 2nd vice president; Miss Mary Thorne Tyson, secretary-treasurer; John T. Smith, of Wilson, 1st vice president, will automatically become president in 1947, succeeding Miss Ella May, of Winterville, and C. V. Cannon, of Ayden, will become 1st vice president.

Committees appointed at this time were: program - Miss Mary Thorne Tyson, chairman, Mrs. Knott Proctor, of Greenville, Mrs. G. Alex Rouse and Mrs. Ed Nash Warren; invitations - Misses Gladys and Mary Barrow; arrangements and decoration - Claude Tyson, chairman, John B. Lewis, Mrs. J. O. Pollard, Mrs. Louise D. Harris and Mrs. Preston M. Murphy; food - Mrs. C. S. Eagles, of Saratoga, chairman, Mrs. Herman Baker, Mrs. A. G. Monk, Sr., and Mrs. Archie Speight; registration - Miss Nancy Lewis.

The meeting was held in the Major Benjamin May Chapter House, a beautiful building of colonial architecture, located just beyond the incorporated limits of Farmville, on the lands formerly owned by Major May and given for this purpose by his descendants. The marriage some 176 years ago of Major May to Mary Tyson gives the Tyson-May reunion organization a reason for existing. Sweet greens and autumn leaves were used on the colonial mantles and chandeliers were in artistic arrangement throughout the space.

Final Rites Held For The Rev. C. B. Mashburn

Hundreds of sorrowing friends from points throughout the State and from every walk of life were assembled here Friday afternoon, filling the Christian church to overflowing for final rites held for the Rev. Cleophas Bowen Mashburn, 62, beloved Christian minister, who succumbed to a long illness early Thursday morning at his Black Mountain home.

The body lay in state for several hours prior to the funeral in the church, which he had served faithfully and well as pastor for 20 years. Interment was made in Hollywood Cemetery beneath a large and handsome floral tribute. Services were suspended here during the funeral.

The Rev. Mr. Mashburn was the son of the late Cleophas Mashburn and Ann Bagister, of Craven county. He attended Black Mountain College as a young man, Tyndall Bible School and Atlantic Christian College. He had been in the ministry 45 years when forced to retire in April of this year due to failing health. He and his good wife left Farmville to reside in their home at Black Mountain, where despite infirmities, he continued to preach and minister to the people of that community throughout the summer and fall. He had served parishes in Lenoir county, in Western North Carolina, at Currituck, Ellington, S. C., Charlotte, Robersonville and Farmville.

He was an outstanding evangelistic preacher and wrote religious hour.

The Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, who succeeded the Rev. Mr. Mashburn as pastor of the local Christian church, was in charge of the services which were participated in by the Rev. J. M. Waters, of the Atlantic Christian College faculty, a classmate and a close friend, who eulogized his fellow minister; by the Rev. C. C. Ware, of Wilson, secretary of the State Convention, and the Rev. J. M. Perry, of Robersonville, who read from the Scriptures and offered prayers. Scriptural references were: The 23rd Psalm, John 14:1-5, "Let not your heart be troubled . . ." 2 Tim. 4:7-8, "I have fought a good fight . . ." Matt. 25:21, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant . . ."

A choir of mixed voices sang favorite hymns, a quartet, composed of Mrs. C. N. Bostic, of Benson, Mrs. R. O. Lang, Jr., Charles F. Bacon and Albert Holmes rendered "That Beautiful Land" and Albert Holmes sang "Dear Lord, Forgive" as a solo.

The Rev. Mr. Waters paid tribute to his brother's faith, consecration and burning zeal as minister and to the signal service rendered the Christian denomination as a former president of the North Carolina Christian Convention, as head of the board of ordination and as a member of the board of trustees of Atlantic Christian College. He had served in the last named capacity with great efficiency for the past 15 years. The minister spoke with visible emotion of his long friendship with "this servant of God" and challenged his friends to "hold aloft the torch he has laid in your hands."

As a conclusion to the church service the Rev. Mr. Cox read Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar."

Active pallbearers were: Arch J. Flanagan, M. G. Thorne, Joel W. and Howard Moys, Robert Lee Smith, Lester Turnage, George W. Wisdham and Sam D. Bundy, members of the board of deacons and elders. Other members of these boards and all visiting and local ministers were among the honorary pallbearers.

Articles for various papers from time to time. He did not keep a record of the hundreds of funerals he had conducted but he had officiated at more than 300 weddings during his ministry.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Annie Lewis Bateman, of the Plymouth section; two daughters, Mrs. George Farr, of Farmville, and Mrs. D. E. Skyles, of Silver Spring, Md.; a son, C. B. Mashburn, Jr., of Farmville; three grandchildren, five sisters, Mrs. Alice Henderson, of Kingston; Mrs. A. L. Brittain, Mrs. H. A. Richardson, Mrs. J. P. Griffin and Mrs. L. T. Powell, of Dover, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mrs. Gladys Lupton Wrede, 22, of Norfolk, Va., and Kingston, who was accidentally killed Sunday when the car she was driving failed to make a curve on the Snow Hill-Farmville Highway, one mile south of Farmville, and crashed into a tree, were held from 9:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. at the funeral home in Kingston Wednesday, with burial in Waterbury Cemetery. She was thrown from the vehicle. The car turned over and was almost wrapped around the tree.



Santa Claus Will Be In Farmville Tuesday Dec. 10

Tuesday is the date. The time for Santa's annual visit to Farmville is approaching with all speed. The welcoming arrangements have been completed and Mayor Jaynes, the fire truck and the boys are ready to meet the jolly old man when he lands on the golf course in his special plane and escort him into town, where the girls and boys and older folks too will be thronging the streets for a glimpse of his ruddy face and the sound of his merry laughter. The hour of arrival is set for 5:00 p. m.

The windows of the stores in the shopping district are beautiful with displays of holiday goods and the merchants are expecting hundreds of shoppers to call Tuesday afternoon, prior to Santa's visit, to see what he has already sent in the way of useful and joyful gifts for the little kiddies and the grown-ups too.

A squad of Santa's workmen will accompany him from Toyland and help hand out the presents to the children who are expected to be on hand to greet their old friend again.

Sam D. Bundy, president of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, has requested that the merchants and other citizens co-operate in giving as much festivity as possible to the occasion.

At The Kiwanis Club

John Parker was program chairman at the Kiwanis meeting Monday evening and had as his guest speaker Sam Underwood, Jr., of Greenville, who was introduced by Sam Bundy. Mr. Underwood gave an interesting and informative talk on whether the U. S. government should be run by law or man. The facts presented showed that a lot of time and thought had been given in preparation of this address.

Levis Williams made a report on the Kiwanis School for incoming officers of 1947, which was held recently in Kingston with Leut. Gov. Elect Ed Rawl, of Greenville, and Sam Bundy acting in the capacity of instructors.

Billy Smith passed cigars, as is customary for all incoming members of the Kiwanis Club, and said he hoped little Billy would be a Kiwanian some day.

Guests of the evening included August T. Schmidt of Panama; Dr. Paul E. Jones and Charles Quinley; R. E. Haraway and Dr. D. L. Moore, of Greenville, were visiting Kiwanians.

Bernice Turnage will have the program next week.

ATTENDED TRAINING SESSION IN KINGSTON

Levis Williams, 2nd Barrow and Sam D. Bundy attended the training session for newly elected officers of the club in the seventh division of the Carolina Kiwanis District held in Kingston last Friday. Mr. Bundy, immediate past Governor, discussed international and district objectives and club meetings. The entire group of approximately thirty men had luncheon with the Kingston Kiwanis Club at which time Mr. Bundy introduced Governor Jasper L. Hicks, of Rock Hill, who spoke on the "Club Officers' Responsibility."

Both of these chapters are considered very efficient and active.

Final Report 1946 Tobacco Market Here

(Sam D. Bundy, Sales Supervisor) The Farmville Tobacco Market closed for the 1946 season on Wednesday, November 27. By any yardstick it was the most successful season in the history of the Farmville market dating back some over forty years. The market holds the distinction of selling more pounds and paying out more money per-set of buyers than any market on the Eastern Belt.

The total figures for the year amounted to 31,453,598 pounds sold for \$16,627,538.51 for an average of \$53.00 per hundred. This represents over 4,000,000 pounds more than last year and approximately \$4,500,000 more than last season. More pounds were sold and more dollars were paid out than during any season since tobacco quotas have been in existence.

At The Rotary Club

Joe Rasberry, program leader at the Rotary Club, Tuesday evening, introduced Dr. Howard McGinnis, of E.T.C.C., Greenville, who delighted his hearers with a discourse on "An Evening with Poetry." Lamenting the fact that the hustle and bustle of the modern day leaves little time for relaxation and absorption of the wisdom of the ages by reading good poetry and for reflection on their beauty, the speaker read selections from Whitlitt, Gray, James Cullen Bryant, Washington Irving and other poets and authors and related stories regarding their composition. The attendance prize was won by the program leader, who presented it to the guest speaker.

Woman Killed When Car Struck Tree Near Here

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State Highway Patrolman C. L. Tague said it was the worst wrecked car he had seen. Mrs. Wrede was driving alone on U. S. Highway 288.

She was taken to Pitt General Hospital, Greenville. Hospital authorities said she was severely injured. A spinal injury prevented her from breathing. Members of the Greenville fire department took turns giving the woman artificial respiration. An iron lung being brought to Greenville by State Highway patrolmen did not arrive before she died at 1:30 p. m.

Mrs. Wrede was a former student at Training High School, Kingston, and was taking a hobby course in Norfolk.

A daughter, her mother and several sisters and brothers survive.

A banner in a banner until you hit your thumb with it.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MERCHANTS ASS'N ACTIVITIES

John B. Lewis Heads Farm-Greene District E. C. C. Boy Scouts

At an annual meeting of the District Committee of the Boy Scouts of America, held Tuesday evening, November 26, John B. Lewis, prominent local citizen, was elected to the chairmanship of the Farm-Greene District of the East Carolina Council.

The Farm-Greene District, one of the largest rural districts coming under the jurisdiction of the East Carolina Council of the Boy Scouts of America, consists of all Greene County and a portion of Pitt County. This District Committee shall act as a governing body for the Scouts in this District.

Retiring Chairman George W. Davis is to be commended on the splendid work for this movement that he has done during the past year. He and his committee have made it possible for the boys in this section to receive the valuable training that the Boy Scout Movement affords.

Also elected for the incoming year's team were Carl T. Hicks of Walstonburg, to serve as vice-chairman; Dr. W. M. Willis to serve as chairman of finance; and E. M. Richardson, of Snow Hill, to serve as commissioner. Other members-at-large, to assist under the leadership of Lewis are: K. L. Rollins, W. A. McAdams, P. K. Ewell, R. D. Rouse, J. W. Joyner, C. S. Hotchkiss, J. Y. Monk, Jr., and G. W. East, L. Herling, A. J. Harrell, Dr. R. J. Walker and K. Exum, all of Snow Hill.

Certainly all civic-minded persons in Farmville should appreciate the efforts of these men who have made it possible for the youths of our community and surrounding territories to participate in this program, which has as its major objective the building of character and the development of citizenship ideals.

More praise yet should go to the Scoutmasters who have made a hobby of doing something for our boys. These men are: Ed Nash Warren, Troop 25, Farmville; W. E. Jones, Troop 95 (Negro), Farmville; Rev. Richard Wain, Troop 115, Fountain; C. M. Suggs, Troop 179 (Negro), Fountain; Harold Bailey, Troop 170, Walstonburg; Robt. Aiken, Troop 74, Snow Hill, and L. H. Smith, Troop 171 (Negro), Snow Hill.

G. P. C. A. Celebrates Its 13th Year of Short- Term Credit Service

Greenville, Dec. 2.—The Greenville Production Credit Association celebrated its 13th year of short-term credit service to farmers of Pitt and Greene Counties when members held their annual meeting at the courthouse in Snow Hill on November 30. Jno. E. Carroll, of Winterville, was re-elected as director for a three-year term. Jesse L. Tripp, Route 1, Ayden, was elected a director for one year to replace the unexpired term of G. L. Mashburn whose resignation was accepted at this meeting.

Other directors are D. F. Hardison, of Snow Hill, J. P. Davenport, of Paulsboro, and Mack G. Smith, of Bell Arthur.

President Jno. E. Carroll presided at this meeting. Secretary-Treasurer F. L. Little, Jr., stated that the association had made 63 loans totaling \$1,055,000 and that reserves built up to protect the investment of members amounted to \$49,610.

W. E. Debban, radio commentator and news analyst who made the principal address at this meeting, congratulated the membership, directors, and employees on the progress of the association and the service being rendered to farmers by the association. He cited facts and figures emphasizing the need for farmers to continue cooperating for their own economic welfare.

Mr. Debban gave figures of salaries being paid to school teachers of this state compared with salaries of unskilled workers which indicated that our school teachers are highly underpaid, and urged the citizens of this state to back the increase of 20% in salaries as requested by the teachers throughout the state.

In a report to the stockholders, Director Mack G. Smith reported that the association has reduced the capital owned by the Production Credit Corporation of Columbia, S. C., from \$109,000 to \$42,500 since organization. He reported to the members that they now own 76% of the total net worth of this organization.

J. B. Jackson, Field Representative of Production Credit Corporation, and V. E. Fillingim, Assistant to the Vice President of Production Credit Corporation, made short talks at this meeting.

Director D. F. Hardison and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer E. M. Richardson also had parts on the program. Secretary Little reported an attendance of 79 members and

The Board of Directors of the Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday afternoon of this week. The following matters were approved:

First—To purchase bulbs for Christmas street lighting if the town would supply the labor to put them up.

Second—To arrange for Santa Claus to visit Farmville on Tuesday, December 10 at 5 o'clock p. m., at which time gifts will be distributed to all children.

Third—Approved the action taken at the beginning of the year for stores to take Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, 26, as Christmas Holidays. This is in line with the adopted procedure of the nearby towns and the overwhelming action of towns and cities in the state according to a recent survey made by W. L. McDowell, secretary of the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Fourth—Approved the matter of stores remaining open until nine o'clock on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, December 21, 23 and 24. This is also in line with the adopted procedure of towns in this area and over the state at large, according to the survey recently made by the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Fifth—Suspended action on the Wednesday afternoon closing beginning in January until action of the towns in this area could be ascertained.

Secretary Sam D. Bundy reported that the membership now stands at 100 which is the largest in the history of the organization and that the financial condition of the association is better than at any previous time. Bundy also reported that a monthly bulletin of facts, information, and activities would now become a new feature that should add to the interest and information of the association.

NEAR TRAGEDY AVERTED

A near tragedy was averted here Wednesday when the resuscitation of Curtis Ross, an employee of Sutton Service Center, of Greenville, was effected after a complete collapse due to kerosene fumes in a tank he was inspecting at the James Lewis Service Station, of which Mr. Lewis is owner and operator.

Answering the call for assistance Chief Lucas carried a grappling hook to aid in bringing the man, 18 feet below, to the surface. George Demmitt, delivery man for an out of town bakery, who was at the station at the time, is credited with this difficult feat.

Ross was brought back to life after his rescuers thought him beyond the point of reviving, by the persistent action of Ed Nash Warren, who is deemed the hero of the incident. Warren, who was active in defense efforts during the recent war and is local Scoutmaster, gave the victim artificial respiration with good results. After breathing was effected, Mr. Ross was rushed to the Pitt General Hospital in Greenville for treatment.

Mr. Ross is a veteran of World War II, is married and has two children. He is a tank installation man and was sent here by his firm for necessary inspection with a view to getting the 10,000 gallon container into use. It was installed around 30 years ago but had never been used; 50 gallons of kerosene being put in about 12 years ago for preservation purposes.

Earl Jackson, plant manager of the Sutton Service Center, said today that Ross was recuperating rapidly and barring complications would recover. Mr. Jackson praised the rescue efforts of the Farmville people and requested that the appreciation of his company, of the family and their friends be expressed, in this account of the accident, to every one participating.

FIREMEN KEPT BUSY

The local fire department has been kept busy this week answering calls. Two fires occurred on consecutive days at Ben Lang's corn barn on Belcher street, where some damage was reported.

Quick action in responding to the call and good work saved one of the tenant houses on the farm of B. M. Lewis Monday.

Just as we finished an account of the activities of the fire department of the week, the fuel oil stove in the Enterprise office began "acting up" and Officer Gregory responded to our SOS call over with an extinguisher and got it under control for us. Other firemen promptly answered telephone calls from our frantic associate editor and so we also can add our bit in praise and commendation for their quick response and willingness to serve.

It all depends on what the fire is to verify the statement that should be made by the fire department.