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Harrelson Makes Chief Address At Family Meeting

J. R. Taylor, mayor of Ayden, was chosen third vice president of the Tyson-May reunion at the annual gathering of the two families last Friday in the Major Benjamin May chapter, Daughters of American Revolution, chapter house. He will automatically become president of the reunion in 1942.

Addressing the gathering on "Family Life in Relation to World Peace," Col. J. W. Harrelson, chancellor of North Carolina State college, said that the greatest single influence in the solution of problems will be the family unit. "Regardless of the improvements to be made," he said, "you must begin with the family."

The speaker was introduced by Guy Jones of Kinston and State college, program chairman. Dr. Harrelson commended Mr. Jones, who has worked with the Oxford experiment station and who headed the Greenville experiment station, for continuing his studies in order to receive a master of science degree in plant pathology. Reminding his listeners that this section is almost wholly agricultural, he stated that there is a great shortage of skilled men in the scientific part of agriculture.

Mrs. C. H. Mazingo (Alice Tyson) presided. In her talk she mentioned that the reunion carries the spirit of Thanksgiving over into the next day. Mrs. Haywood Smith was accompanist for the opening song, "America," and "Auld Lang Syne," sung before adjournment. Rev. H. L. Davis, Methodist minister, gave the invocation and also conducted the memorial service, reading part of John 14 and the names of family members who had died during the past year. Mayor Walter B. Jones extended the welcome.

A trio composed of Misses Pat Corbett, Ruthe Tyson and Willa Rea Harper sang "Bless Ye the Lord," and Brahms' "Lullaby." Robert Everette Robuck sang "Water Boy." Lou Taylor Lewis played Schubert's "Impromptu No. 4."

Miss Tabitha DeVasanti read a list of births and marriages and recognized several who had not previously attended the reunions or who had been absent for several years. Dr. J. Y. Joyner of La Grange, closest living relative of Major Benjamin May, was called on for remarks. Lunch was served buffet style in the banquet room. An arrangement of fruits was placed at one end and a bowl of yellow and white chrysanthemums was used at the other. The east mantel in the assembly room was decorated with sprays of pyracantha flanked by the coats-of-arms of the two families. On the west mantel magnolia leaves were banded. Berries were used on the speaker's table.

Officers in addition to Mrs. Mazingo are Miss Elizabeth May, first vice president; Mrs. Melton Allen, second vice president; Miss Mary Thorne Tyson of Farmville and Richmond, secretary-treasurer. Committees were Mrs. W. C. Holston and Mrs. Jack Lewis, arrangements and decorations; Mrs. C. R. Townsend, food; Mrs. Ed Nash Warren, registration; Miss Elizabeth May, publicity.

ECTC Choir Will Sing Here Sunday P. M.

The choir of East Carolina Teachers college in Greenville will be presented Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Farmville Methodist church in a program that will include some Christmas music.

Originally, it was planned to have the choir appear at the Sunday morning service but the afternoon time was decided upon in order that members of all denominations would have an opportunity to hear the musicians.

The choir is made up of 50 voices and is directed by the Dr. Karl V. Gilbert of the ECTC music department. The December programs include a Christmas cantata by the French composer, Charles Camille Saint-Saens.

Eight soloists will sing with the choir. They are Rodney J. Roberts of Greenville and Robert M. Mays of Hopedale, Va., baritone; Lee Rogers and Alexander E. Livsey, both of Rocky Mount, tenors; Mary Wallace Roy of Pollockville, Mary Eloise Balkum of Goldsboro, and Allison Hearn of Greenville, soprano, and Audrey Brooks of Polson, mezzo soprano.

A free will offering to cover expenses will be taken. The choir will sing Sunday night at Greenville Methodist church in Greenville on Sunday, December 11. The group will sing at Rocky Mount on Monday, December 12. Plans are also being made to sing at other points.

Church Will Be Dedicated Sunday



Ballards New Presbyterian Church Will Be Dedicated Sunday Morning

The new Ballards Presbyterian church, which was founded just five years ago and already is exerting its influence on the thriving agricultural community located midway between Farmville and Greenville on highway 264, will be dedicated Sunday in services which include morning and afternoon sessions with a recess for a picnic lunch.

Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D. D., of Greensboro will preach the dedicatory sermon at services beginning at 11:30, thirty minutes later than the customary Sunday service in order that friends from Farmville, Greenville and elsewhere may attend without missing Sunday School in their home church. The afternoon program begins at 2:15 and will include talks by Rev. H. M. Wilson of Dublin, Va., a former Farmville pastor who carried on the work at Ballards during his ministry here about a decade ago, and Rev. Harold Dudley of Wilson, and others.

The Ballards church, a handsome structure whose construction costs have been paid in full and which stands as a monument to the work of staunch persons in the community who were inspired financial help from several outside, and, oftentimes unexpected, directions, has a total membership of 82 and a Sunday School enrollment of 109. These figures represent a tremendous increase over the 37 charter members around whom the church was formally organized on Dec. 3, 1934, and who have served as a nucleus for the formation of the present congregation. It is not surprising that most of this growth has taken place since the new building was started two years ago and completed just a year ago.

The building is one of the most adequate rural buildings in this section of the state. It has a handsome sanctuary, eight class rooms, kitchen and adequate rest rooms. The building represents an outlay of about \$25,000 and many days of hard work on the part of its pastor, Rev. E. S. Coates, and the faithful members of the congregation who had a vision and were determined to have the new church.

Presbyterian services in the Ballards community date back to October, 1930, when Mrs. Josie McArthur, who has the unusual distinction of being a charter member of the Greenville, Farmville and Ballards Presbyterian churches, invited W. S. Hardin of the First Presbyterian church in Greenville to conduct services in the school, an old building that later was renovated by Presbytery and has since been abandoned. On the second Sunday in October, 1930, W. S. Dressback and Jesse Chambers of Greenville organized the Sunday School. This work continued until 1934 when ill health forced the Greenville men to discontinue their help. Mrs. McArthur, Mrs. Gilmer Nichols and a handful of other faithfuls, carried on the work with the help of Rev. Wilson and J. C. Corbett, an elder in the Farmville church who still teaches as a class in the Ballards Sunday School. In 1942 Rev. Wilson moved to another field but the Sunday School continued its struggle for existence and found new life when the church was organized two years later.

Rev. Coates, who says that the project at Ballards has been a wonderful experience with many obstacles which, somehow as if by Divine Guidance, were surmounted with financial assistance and help that came when the faithful workers were sorely discouraged, worked with a building committee composed of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Eiks and Ray Crawford. The three men serve as elders of the church and deacons will be elected Sunday. The Sunday School, which has an average attendance of 85, is presided over by Superintendent Henry Dunn, Jr.

The treasurer of the church, J. S. Eiks, died early this week after an extended illness. The seriousness with which members of the congregation assumed the job of building the church is illustrated by events which took place a few hours before Mr. Eiks' death. Only a few hours before his death, he was giving instructions on paying bills of the church and explaining that, among other things, the light bill had to be paid before Dec. 1.

Engineer Reports On Road Program In This Division

The following letter from Assistant Division Engineer J. L. Phillips of the State Highway and Public Works Commission tells some thing of the work that is being done in the second division, of which Pitt is a part, under the state's new road paving program:

"I am happy to report to you that the paving has been completed on the first bond project in Lenoir county. This project is No. 2-9-21-201 and consists of Part 1 and 2. Part 1 is described as beginning at Jones' Store on US 268 westerly 5.3 miles via Pleasant Hill Lodge to NC 11 at a point 2.4 miles northward of Pink Hill. Part 2 begins near Davis Mill on NC 55 westwardly via Shivar's Store 2.8 miles to the Wayne county line.

"In Pitt county the surfacing on 2-9-24-202 has been completed. This project extends from Winterville eastwardly to NC 43 at intersection of Black Jack Road, a distance of 4.57 miles.

"Also in Carteret county project 2-9-16-201 which is the paving on the Merrimon Road has been approximately one-half completed.

"In Craven county the paving on Project 2-9-17-201 which is the surfacing on the road from Cove City northwardly via Wintergreen 6.15 miles to NC 55 is being started this week.

"Work is also beginning this week on Project 2-9-24-201 in Pitt county and 2-9-18-201 in Greene county. This road leads from Ballards Cross Roads in Pitt county by way of Wintergreen and Ormandaville to 4-Way Service Station near Hookerton, a total distance of 10.6 miles.

"It occurred to me that perhaps these facts in connection with our work which is being financed from the bond money might be of interest to you."

The engineer's letter was directed to W. D. Snider, director of public relations for the Highway Commission, who forwarded a copy of it to The Enterprise.

SMITH REUNION

Mrs. Geriand Duke of Kinston was hostess to the F. M. Smith family reunion Thanksgiving day at her home in Kinston. The guests were greeted at the door by Mr. and Mrs. Duke and invited into the home which was beautifully decorated with flowers, candles and red berries.

After several hours of conversation, the family assembled in the dining room. Mr. Duke gave the welcome, all joined in the singing of "America," and Mack Smith offered the invocation. A turkey luncheon, hot coffee and fruit cake, topped with whipped cream, were served.

During the business session the following officers were elected: Jack Smith of Raleigh, president; Mrs. Lee Corbett, Farmville, vice president; Mrs. Mack Abrams, Farmville, secretary-treasurer.

Names for an exchange of Christmas gifts were drawn and it was decided that a family wreath be placed on the graves of the parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, and that as many as possible visit the graves Christmas day between the hours of three and four o'clock.

Jack Smith gave a talk on Thanksgiving and Mack Smith recited a Thanksgiving poem. Group singing was enjoyed.

Attending the reunion, which will be held next year with Guy Smith at Macesfield, were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Corbett and children, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Abrams, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Clayton and children, Farmville; Mr. and Mrs. Mercer Tatum and three sons, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Mack G. Smith and daughter, Ned Smith, Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, W. Lealie Smith, Raleigh; Mrs. Russell Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Leggett, Wilson; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith and son and Mrs. Harrell Macesfield; Mrs. Ellen Leggett, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murphy and children, Miss Mavis Leggett, Lyman Roberts, Washington.

SENIOR PLAY TONIGHT

The Farmville high school senior class will present the play, "The Panny Fullers," Friday, Dec. 2, at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Between the acts, an auction of donated cakes, pies, and candy will be conducted.

Admission is 25 cents for school children and 50 cents for adults.

TWO CENTS FOR XMAS CARDS

Postmaster Henry Johnson is calling his patrons' attention to the fact that unsealed Christmas greetings this year will cost 2 cents to mail, instead of 1 1/2 cents as heretofore.

Outstanding Students



ZEB WHITEHURST

Recent issues of the Farmville high school paper, "News N' Views," had feature articles about the two young men shown above. Zeb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. M. Whitehurst and James is the son of Mrs. Maynard Thorne and the late Mr. Thorne.

JAMES THORNE

At a meeting of the Farmville school board on last Friday it was decided that immediate steps must be taken to expand the facilities of the Farmville school. Principal Sam D. Bundy reported to the board that all rooms are now filled and some are being doubled for extra classes; that the school has gained three teachers in the last two years, that three more have been added on a local basis, that the high school will gain one more next year, that the school is expanding numerically on a curriculum basis, and that the existing facilities are now too crowded and inadequate.

The board has tentatively agreed that a new building for the primary division of the school or a new building for the high school academic classes must be constructed. It is a question of being able to secure a favorable place to build and expand. If a high school building of six rooms is built, it would have to be near the present site in order to use the existing facilities of a high school nature; if a six room building is constructed for the primary department, it could be near the present site or it could be in another locality. The Farmville board is open to suggestion from the public as to location of new facilities. The board consists of John B. Lewis, chairman, Irvin Morgan, Jr., secretary, Arch Flanagan, A. C. Monk, Jr., and Dr. John Newborn.

Any persons desiring to offer suggestions as to type of new facility or the location, should submit their suggestions to any member of the board.

DAVID GUY SMITH DIES AT BROTHER'S HOME HERE

David Guy Smith, 59, died at the home of his brother, Lloyd Smith, on Wilson street early Wednesday morning following a long illness of a heart ailment.

Mr. Smith was a former policeman and fireman in Farmville. He was a member of the Bell Arthur Christian church. He was the son of the late Jessie J. and Malissa Phillips Smith. He was born in the Bell Arthur community. His wife, the late Cenia Nichols, died 18 years ago. Before becoming disabled, Mr. Smith was employed in Newport News, Va.

Funeral services were held from the home of his brother on Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. E. B. T. Cox, pastor of the Farmville Christian church.

Interment followed in the Forest Hill cemetery.

Mr. Smith is survived by a daughter, Mrs. James Lee of Eritherton; two sisters, Mrs. Roy Thomas of Lenoir; Mrs. George Ballow of Lenoir; a brother, and two grandchildren.

Farmville Gets Yuletide Spirit As Town Plans To Welcome Santa Claus With Parade Saturday

At The Kiwanis Club

Frank Allen, program chairman at the Kiwanis club Monday night, presented a skit entitled "Boxing Match."

Frank was the announcer, Father Loyola O'Leary acted as referee, Ernest Petteway and Frank Harris were the two contestants with Geo. Allen and Jack Lewis acting as their seconds. Bernice Turnage, Alton Bobbitt, Billy Smith and Glasgow Smith helped to form the ring, by holding a rope, making a 14-foot square. The contestants got their gloves on and were announced, then called to the center of the ring by the referee who informed them there would be no hitting in clutches, eye gouging or butting. They returned to their corners and received final instructions from their seconds and were prepared to come out swinging, when Frank Allen handed each of them four 12-inch boards, a hammer and eight nails and they proceeded to make a box. After three hectic rounds, Ernest Petteway completed his box which was quite a feat considering he had the big boxing gloves on and was declared the champion.

Robert Rouse, Jr., was the guest of Charles Edwards and Jake Fields had as his guest, Mr. Smith, his nephew. The club voted not to have a meeting next Monday night but would meet in the movie projection room at 7 o'clock on Tuesday night and attend the barbecue dinner for the band fund in the gymnasium.

The Stantonburg club has again postponed its follies program in which the local club was to have a part. Dec. 9 has been set as the new date.

SUCCESSFUL BREAD SALE CONDUCTED FOR BAND

Members of the Farmville high school band, Kiwanis club, Rotary club and Junior Chamber of Commerce raised \$173.93 Wednesday in the house-to-house bread sale. Citizens of Farmville were generous in the amount of money of bread sold for as high as \$5 per loaf. The average price was 40 cents.

The Band Steering Committee expresses its sincere appreciation for the loyal cooperation of every citizen in making the sale a success. Another project to raise funds for the uniforms will be a barbecue supper Tuesday night from 7 to 9 in the school gymnasium. Plates for adults will be \$1 and for children, 50 cents.

KILLS BEAR

An ambition of many years standing was realized Tuesday when Hugh Barrett shot a bear on a deer hunt at Croatan National forest. He killed the 200-pound animal at a distance of 25 yards and is pleased with his rifle marksmanship.

Last year he killed a buck, which was running about 300 yards from him. In the approximately 18 years he has been on deer hunts he has bagged at least 12.

Others in the party Tuesday were Robert Joyner, Vernon Mazingo and Mr. Massey.

GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The Junior Glee club of 30 voices, the Girls Glee club with 25 members and the Mixed chorus of 65 voices will present their Christmas programs on Friday night, Dec. 9, at 7:30 in the high school auditorium under the direction of Miss Alma Whitley.

FARMVILLE OPENS ITS BASKETBALL SEASON HERE MONDAY NIGHT

Farmville high school opens its 1940-50 season Monday night by playing Walstonburg in the local gymnasium. The schedule, which will appear in next week's paper, lists 10 home games.

SWEETS SALE

Group Four of the Christian church is conducting a sale of cookies, pies, candies and cakes at the sweets sale Saturday morning in the Farmville Flower shop. A large array of tempting items will be offered.

SCOUT TROOPS MEET

Troop 4 met at the home of the leader, Mrs. R. T. Williams, Tuesday afternoon. Sue Flanagan's patrol gave Len Taylor, leader's patrol a party.

A dance will be given December 16.

Troop 5 held its weekly meeting Wednesday afternoon at the school. For Christmas presents, the girls discussed making place mats. They drew names for the Christmas party.

Farmville, now that Thanksgiving is history, is getting "Christmas in its bones."

The Yule season proper will arrive tomorrow (Saturday) morning when the whole town and countryside will greet Santa Claus with a parade consisting of two bands, from the local high schools, floats and numerous other entries, for which cash awards are being presented by the Chamber of Commerce.

Prizes of \$25.00 and \$12.50 are being offered for the best floats and the best entry by a youngster of 14 or less will also merit a cash prize.

Townpeople have been doing all they could to drum up interest in the event. Merchants have made their stores attractive and have placed appealing prices on their fine stocks of Christmas merchandise.

Streets are being decorated with lighted Christmas trees and huge candy sticks have been attached to power posts.

Youngsters attending the parade will be remembered with favors by Santa.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Marvin Horton remains critically ill in Park View hospital, Rocky Mt. Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Morrison and children of Sandston, Va., spent Thanksgiving day with relatives here. Eve Morrison returned to her home after spending three weeks with her cousin, Nancy Winstead.

Mrs. J. L. Mountcastle of Weldon, Mrs. T. E. Johnson, Miss Flora Deane Johnson, H. T. Herring, Jr., of Walstonburg and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Albritton, Jr., of Hookerton spent Friday in Richmond, Va.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Dora H. Keel is recuperating from an illness. Mrs. Madeline H. Rountree flew home from St. Petersburg, Fla., Sunday on account of her mother's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Adams and children, Clint and Harriette, are visiting Mrs. Adams' grandmother, Mrs. Dora H. Keel. Mr. Adams is stationed on the USS Gulliver, submarine based at Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shirley and daughters, Elisabeth and Maribella, of Walstonburg and Lester Teal of Wilson were supper guests Wednesday night of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hinson.

Miss Jessie Ross Yelverton of Goldsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bryant of Richmond, Va., and James Lewis, Jr., student at Randolph Macon, Ashland, Va., spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Speight, Jr., and Hap Nichols attended the Carolina-Duke freshmen football game in Durham Thursday afternoon and the Horace Heidt show in Raleigh Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Taylor, Miss Carol Ann Pitt of Pinetop, Miss Delphia Parker, C. A. Lilly and Hal Winters spent the week end in Washington, D. C., and attended the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Smith, Mrs. Knott Proctor of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Lang, Jr., and Eli Joyner, Jr. will attend the wedding of Miss Joan Mason and B. S. Smith, Jr., Saturday in Beasley, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Ewell of Norfolk, Va., John Charlton, Miss Janie Ipeck, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Ipeck and Otis Ipeck of Goldsboro and Mrs. Ethel Pernell and Miss Carrie Ewell of Durham were guests Sunday at a birthday dinner honoring Mrs. S. E. Ewell. It was given by Mrs. Paul Ewell. Miss Ewell and Mrs. Pernell spent the week end here.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Holmes and Mrs. Bernice Turnage attended the "Stars of Bethlehem" showing at the UNC planetarium Tuesday. Three separate showings were required to present the show for the huge throng of invited ministers and their guests.

Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and family of Dublin, Va., will arrive Friday to spend the week end with friends. Rev. Wilson will speak at the dedication services of the Ballards Presbyterian church, of which he is a former pastor, Sunday.

Mrs. Hilda Petteway of Washington, D. C., spent Thanksgiving day and Friday with her son, E. N. Petteway. Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Petteway and guest attended a dinner party at the Gaston hotel in New Bern for Mr. Petteway's nephew, Richard Shimer, and Miss Jean Simpson, bridal couple, Friday evening and the following morning. Mr. and Mrs. Petteway and children attended the wedding Saturday evening in Centenary Methodist church.

A and Mrs. C. B. Boshart of Hampton visited Mrs. Robuck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Jones, Sunday evening for the Christmas party.

December 25 -- God's Gift: Man's Responsibility. "On This Good Christmas Morn," Nobel Cain.

December 24 -- The Journey to Bethlehem. "Cherubim's Song," Bon-tinsky, "Alleluia," from Motet, "Exultet Jubilate," Mozart, "Angels We Have Heard on High," old French Carol.

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December 21 -- The Journey to Bethlehem. "Cherubim's Song," Bon-tinsky, "Alleluia," from Motet, "Exultet Jubilate," Mozart, "Angels We Have Heard on High," old French Carol.

December 20 -- The Journey to Bethlehem. "Cherubim's Song," Bon-tinsky, "Alleluia," from Motet, "Exultet Jubilate," Mozart, "Angels We Have Heard on High," old French Carol.