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Gus Roebuck's Sudden Death Is Shock To Town

Stricken with a heart attack last Saturday morning while he was transacting some business near Fountain, Sedge Augustus Roebuck was rushed to Park View hospital, Rocky Mount. He died Wednesday morning at 12:15. Mr. Roebuck was 49 years of age.

Funeral services for the well-known local business man, whose contagious good humor and pleasing personality won for him a host of friends throughout this section, were conducted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Farmville Baptist Church, with interment in the Hollywood cemetery. Rites were conducted by Rev. E. W. Holmes, pastor of the Baptist church of which Mr. Roebuck was an active member, and Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, Christian minister.

Mr. Roebuck, a native of Martin county, came to Farmville in 1926, as assistant cashier of the Citizens Bank. In 1930 he became associated with the Bank of Farmville and has been their manager of the Farmville Baptist Church, having served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Sunday School for a number of years. He was a Mason and a graduate of Massey Business College in Richmond, Va. He was a member of Pitt County Insurance Exchange.

Mr. Roebuck was the son of the late Magnolia Leggett and James Albert Roebuck of Robersonville. He is survived by his wife, Hazel Everett Roebuck, three sons, Shelby A. Roebuck, Robert Everett Roebuck, Gus Ross Roebuck all of Farmville; five sisters, Mrs. Opie Bass, Nashville; Mrs. J. G. Bullock, Greensboro; Mrs. Elliott Barnhill, Robersonville; Mrs. Alton Whitely, Vanceboro; Mrs. Hilton Everett, Hamilton; 6 brothers, George T. R. C. I. Bruce, and Jim Roebuck all of Robersonville, Roy G. of Fairfield, and A. Q. Roebuck of Farmville.

Honorary pallbearers will be members of his Sunday School class and members of Farmville Merchants Association, Chamber of Commerce, and Masons.

Principal Local Colored School Wants Auditorium

At a meeting of the Pitt County Board of Education Monday, H. B. Sugg, principal of the Negro high school in Farmville, appeared before the board to request that an auditorium be built for the school.

Sugg, in his request, told the board members that the 950 students of the school have nowhere to assemble for devotional, musical programs, indoor sports, and other activities, and that the need for such a building at this time is urgent.

The Negro principal stated to the board, "We know the school funds are limited and taxation is high but we wish the board would take the proposition up from every angle and see what can be done in getting us an auditorium."

He also brought out that the school has sufficient land on which to construct the auditorium and the present heating plant can be extended to heat the auditorium.

After hearing Sugg's proposal, the board told him that it would give the matter every consideration possible and keep the matter in mind when the 1932-33 budget is made up soon. They stated they were well aware of the need for an auditorium at the school.

It was also brought out at the meeting that the new Negro school at Fountain is near completion and will be set up as a seven-teacher school next fall.

Flu Epidemic Hits Fountain

The Womanless Wedding, sponsored by the Fountain Parent-Teachers Association, has been postponed until March 19, due to an epidemic of flu in the Fountain school and community.

Principal M. E. McDonald stated that 60 students were absent Monday, and that 65 missed one or more days last week. Three teachers were forced to be absent from their classes last week due to flu.

The Fountain school has between 280 and 300 students.

MOVE TO CHARLOTTE

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Fuquay moved to Charlotte on Friday of last week. Mr. Fuquay, who is associated with the office personnel of the Stewart-Everette Enterprises, has been in Charlotte several months. Mrs. Fuquay and son, Jones, left Saturday to make their home with him there. Their residence is located at 2218 E. 10th street.

About Farmville People

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Jones, and Miss Betsy Willis Jones spent the week end in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Fuquay and son, Jones, in their new residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Petteway had as overnight guests on Thursday, Mr. Petteway's sister, Mrs. Mark L. Skinner and Mr. Skinner of New Bern. Mr. and Mrs. Petteway attended the funeral of Mr. Skinner's mother in Wilson on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Allen, Sr., had as dinner guests on Tuesday night, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Britt and Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Allen of Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hudson of this city.

Mrs. J. M. Mewborn accompanied her mother, Mrs. A. D. McNeill of Faison, when she returned to her home Tuesday after a visit of several days in Farmville with the Mewborns. Mrs. Mewborn returned to Farmville Tuesday night.

Miss Jen Easley, teacher in the Warsaw Schools, arrived Thursday to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. Hubert Joyner and remained for a week end visit with her mother, Mrs. Cherry Easley.

Mrs. David Parker and children of Suffolk, Va., visited relatives here several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaney Heath, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. J. A. Carraway, Mrs. Mollie Murphy and Mrs. Perry Bundy were Wilson visitors, Friday afternoon.

James Earl Bundy of Newport News, Va., a native of Farmville, reported to Norfolk, Va., for service in the Naval Reserve on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. L. Freeman is confined to her home on Barrett street on account of illness.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. C. White of Elizabeth City spent Sunday night with Dr. White's brother, Darius White, Jr., and family. Dr. and Mrs. White were enroute to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Davies and children, Jeffrey and Lynne, of San Carlos, Calif., arrived Saturday for a visit with Mrs. Davies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tyson.

Miss Ruthie Tyson, Meredith College student, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tyson.

Miss Pat Corbitt, student at East Carolina College, will spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Corbitt.

Mrs. Cecil Johnston has returned after spending a week with her mother in Orange, Va.

Warrant Officer and Mrs. E. W. Whitaker of Camp Lejeune spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Batchelor. The Whitakers' home is in Hendersonville.

Mrs. Maynard Thorne who underwent an operation in the Melchior Clinic in Wilson, Monday, is convalescing satisfactorily.

Mrs. Frank Dupree, Sr., who has been spending the winter months at Hill's Convalescing Home in Rocky Mount was taken to Park View hospital in that city Sunday night. Mrs. Dupree is seriously ill with double pneumonia.

County Hospital Uses 101 Pints Blood From Bank

Pitt County's membership in the Red Cross Blood Bank, which has regional headquarters in Norfolk, Va., is paying dividends.

Administrator C. D. Ward told Kivanians Monday night that the county hospital had used, up to Friday of last week, 101 pints of blood obtained from the blood bank. Ward's report covered the first four weeks the bank was in operation.

The bloodmobile has been in the county two days recently, making stops in Greenville and Farmville. Greenville citizens donated 153 pints, and Farmville 155. Plans are now being made for the mobile unit to visit Ayden.

One-half of the blood, obtained through these bloodmobile visits goes to the Armed forces, and the remainder is kept in the region for use wherever it may be needed.

Ward stated that no cost is made for the blood, with the exception of a fixed \$10-fee the hospital charges for typing and making satisfactory laboratory tests required before the blood can be used.

EIGHT LOCAL GUARDSMEN SCHEDULED FOR OVER-SEAS DUTY

Eight local men of the National Guard stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky., are scheduled for over-seas duty and will embark at New Orleans, La., the latter part of this month. Six of the men are home on furlough this week. They are Sfc. Frank Baucum, Cpl. Marvin Z. Cobb, Sfc. Shelby Roebuck, Cpl. Hubert Walwright, Sgt. Cecil Lilley and Cpl. Craig Harris.

Cpl. Max Mills received his furlough earlier and left Sgt. Willie G. Allen is accompanying his wife to Marysville, Wash., where she will reside with her parents while he is over-seas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bass is spending the week end with her daughter, Mrs. Max McLeod and family in Dunn.

Mrs. G. A. Rouse entered Duke Hospital, Thursday afternoon for examinations and treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Corbett and daughter, Linda, and granddaughter, Phyllis Corbett, visited Mr. and Mrs. Garland Duke in Kinston, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Warren of Speed, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Cross, Jr., and daughter, Becky, of Gates, spent Sunday with the Ed Nash Warren family. Mrs. J. E. Warren returned to Speed with the Harvey Warrens for a visit with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nash Warren and son, Bert, Mack Holmes and Paschal Barrett attended the Globetrotters exhibition in Raleigh last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Whitmore and son, Jimmy, of South Hill, Va., visited relatives and friends here, Sunday.

Curtis Ray Massey is out after a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moye leave today for Germantown, Penn., to spend the week end with friends. Following their visit in Germantown they will visit for two weeks in New York City. While in New York they will be guests at the Forest Hills Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Briley and boys, Billy and Johnny, are improving after being ill with flu. Mr. Briley is also suffering from a back injury received when he tripped and fell in Hardy's Garage two weeks ago.

Mrs. Marvin Z. Cobb, Mrs. Frank Baucum, Jr., and Mrs. C. A. Lilley, Jr., returned to their home here this week with their husbands who are on furlough before being sent over-seas for duty.

Mrs. Lilley will return to Fort Campbell, Ky., and will remain with her husband there until he is transferred this month. Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Baucum will remain at their homes here.

Improved Lights Being Installed On Main Street

Improved lights are being installed on Farmville Main street which, when completed, will give the town a modern white way for at least several blocks in the principal business district.

Working under the supervision of Superintendent W. A. McAdams of the water and light department, maintenance men are re-setting new poles at equal distance and are erecting new lights similar to the one that was installed several months ago, on an experimental basis, in front of the Town Hall.

McAdams says the new system will make it possible for the town to remove all of the unsightly wires except one. The new poles are several feet higher than the old ones, which will increase the lighting area.

The improvements were recently authorized by the Board of Commissioners.

Georgia Choir Presents Concert Here March 15

The Milledgeville College Choir of Milledgeville, Ga., a well-known A Cappella choir, will give a concert in the Baptist Church here, Saturday night, March 15, at 8:15.

The choir was organized at the college sixteen years ago. It has appeared in Farmville on two other occasions, once 13 years ago and again three years ago. It is directed by Max Noah, who is outstanding in his choir directing ability.

Mrs. R. O. Lang, Jr., is a former member of the choir which will appear here during a 10-day tour of the South.

BANK ASSOCIATE SPEAKS TO ROTARIANS

William Shaw, head of the Trust Fund department of the People's Bank and Trust Company of Rocky Mount, explained the legal procedure of making wills and issuing deeds of trust, at the Rotary meeting Tuesday night. L. E. Walston, program chairman, introduced the speaker. W. Jesse Moye, president, presided over the meeting.

Miss Margaret Lewis, pianist, won the attendance prize which was given by Darius White.

C. W. Pettigrew, Jr., was the guest of T. E. Joyner and Mr. Shaw and Mrs. Townsend of Rocky Mount were the guests of L. E. Walston.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Bernice B. Turnage announce the birth of a daughter, Laura Lee, on February 29, to Melchior Clinic, Wilson. Mrs. Turnage is the former Miss Rosemary Holmes, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Holmes.

Town Considers Paving Program

Farmville's Board of Commissioners, in session Tuesday night, adopted a resolution to consider paving several blocks in town and to notify property owners in the blocks effected that the town is willing to proceed with the project if the property owners are willing to pay their proportionate share of the costs.

The streets under consideration are Davis Drive from Grimmersburg to East Wilson, and the blocks from East Wilson to Church (in front of Vassar Fields' residence) thence down Church for one block. Also under consideration are the blocks near Farmville Leaf Tobacco Company and one section of Green Street by the home of Mr. and Mrs. Flave Darden.

Farmville's share of the paving costs can be paid with funds received by the town from the Powell Bill.



ENSIGN WALSTON

Donald Walston's 1st Tour of Duty Proves Interesting

Donald Walston, now serving his first tour of duty since receiving his commission as Ensign, following his graduation from the Naval Academy in Annapolis last summer, recently returned from his initial foreign cruise as an officer with a collection of sea stories and experiences that developed him, almost overnight, into a veteran officer. Walston's ship, the Willard Keith—a destroyer, not only met a fierce North Atlantic storm head-on but also was an eye-witness to the Flying Enterprise incident, and was assigned the duty of standing-by to give whatever assistance it could to the ailing ship and her skipper, Captain Kurt Carlsen.

The young Farmville officer's participation in both of these incidents, and in the others which occurred during the five-month cruise, gave him experience that will prove invaluable to captains under whom he will serve during his naval career but will also make him better equipped to train those men and officers who will be assigned to him in the days to come.

The Keith was taken from the moth ball fleet about a year ago. Following a training period and shake-down cruise in the latter part of the summer, the ship was assigned to European waters. The cruise carried its crew into the Mediterranean and just as close to the troubled spots in that area of the world as they could go. The Keith then steamed northward to France, Germany and to English ports. In December, the ship and her crew learned first-hand the strength and anger of a raging North Atlantic Ocean. Ensign Walston, who served as damage control officer, states that everything topside not welded down, was torn loose from the ship and sucked overboard.

In the incident of the Flying Enterprise, the Keith was summoned from Bordeaux, France, and ordered to relieve a sister destroyer that had been standing by prepared to assist the merchantman in any way possible or to pick up the courageous skipper if Carlsen decided to abandon his ship. This event is certain to be recorded in nautical history and Carlsen's action, regardless of whether one agrees with his stand or not, is sure to be given a place in the annals of nautical achievements.

The Keith was present when Carlsen finally saw his light to save the Enterprise was futile and abandoned his ship. He was picked up by a British tug which had been towing the lifeless vessel.

Ensign Walston spent a recent week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Walston, and is expecting additional leave while the Keith is undergoing repairs in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Wheelless was graduated from Winterville High School, attended East Carolina College and Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro.

Mrs. Wheelless, who had not expected the appointment, has indicated that she will consider becoming a candidate for the office after the expiration of her appointment in December. If she so decides, she will file within the next several weeks. She has been encouraged to seek the office by numerous women organizations and other well-wishers.

CHRISTIAN MINISTERS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SPEAKER

Rev. Z. B. T. Cox, minister of the Christian Church, was the principal speaker of the World Day of Prayer service held in the Presbyterian Church, Friday afternoon.

Rev. Cox stressed the need of turning to God in seeking solutions to the conflicts that beset the world today. He outlined steps necessary to accomplishing world-wide peace.

Rev. H. L. Davis pronounced the invocation at the service that was conducted by Mrs. Alton W. Bobbitt, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church.

The devotional part of the service was given by Mrs. H. D. Johnson and special prayers were offered by six young ladies dressed in costumes representing peasants in various countries of the world. The prayers were offered by Misses Carolyn Roebuck, Willie Harper, Lou Taylor Lewis, Faye Mewborn, Jean Moore and Martha Holmes, who closed their part of the program with the singing of the hymn, "The Light of the World is Jesus."

Members of the choir for the occasion represented all the churches sponsoring the service. Mrs. John B. Wright, Jr., was organist.

Rev. Edwin S. Coates closed the meeting with a benediction.

DR. JONES ATTENDS U.N.C. TRUSTEE BOARD MEETING

Dr. F. E. Jones, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Greater University of North Carolina, attended a meeting of the board held in the House of Representatives, the Capitol Building in Raleigh, Friday.

At The Kiwanis Club

Though only slightly more than one year old, Pitt County's handsome \$1,400,000-hospital is rapidly gaining prestige and is gradually approaching the point where, with the continued patronage of the county's citizens, it will be on a sustaining basis.

That was one of the important points brought out by Hospital Administrator Claude Ward in an address Monday night at the Farmville Kiwanis Club. The guest of Lewis Allen, Ward reminded club members that the county has an investment of more than \$1,500,000 (including \$135,000 expended for the Nurses' Home) and that it is an establishment second to none in physical facilities in this section of the South.

The construction costs of the hospital were divided between the county, state and Federal governments, with the county paying 39.1 per cent, the state 37.4, and the Federal government 23.5. The institution has 31 private beds, 43 semi-private, and 51 ward beds, a total of 130 beds. In addition, there are 20 bassinets, and 10 cribs or bassinets in reserve. The institution has facilities for three operations at once—two minors and a major—and is potentially capable of having three minor and two major operations performed simultaneously. He added that the trained personnel required for such would entail terrific expenditures.

The history of the hospital, as given the club by Ward, who is a former president of the Greenville Kiwanis club and still is a member there, is one of steady, constant progress. In the first month of operation, the hospital averaged 64 patients daily. By January, the average had climbed to 79. Last month, it was 82. The administrator added that at 10 o'clock Monday morning there were 115 patients in the hospital. He added that the institution needs an average of 95 to become self-sustaining.

During the first year of operation, the average cost of keeping a patient in the institution for one day was \$16.59, but the figure had dropped to \$14.18 for December. He added that the hospital operating expenses were about \$31,000 monthly. The hospital is serving 400-450 meals each day from its ultra modern kitchen, and the cost for the year averaged about 40 cents per meal.

The hospital has a staff of 108 persons, and a medical staff of seven surgeons and 25 general practitioners who are capable of handling any kind of surgery or treatments except certain brain operations, neurology and certain chest treatments.

In its first year of operation, the hospital had 5,135 patients, treated 55,869, and performed 18,000 laboratory tests and 2,007 operations. 611 babies were born in the hospital during the year.

Despite its fine record and continued development, the hospital has not yet reached the point where it can be of greatest service to the county. Provision is made for nurses' training which will be utilized when the hospital maintains an average of 100 beds for an unbroken period of 12 months. Internes will be trained and taught when the hospital averages 85 beds for a 12 month period.

The hospital is under the direct management of a board of trustees appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Alex Allen of Farmville is vice chairman of the trustees.

Ward was introduced by Program Chairman Allen, who also had as his guest, Edwin Hall, engineer for the Florence-Mayo Nuway company.

C. W. (Tex) Pettigrew, new staff member of the Farmville Funeral Home, was the guest of Sam Lewis.

Jaycees Group Seeks Industry For Farmville

A committee from the Junior Chamber of Commerce has started a project to obtain new industries for Farmville. Surveys will be made and steps taken to show prospective manufacturers the inducements this community can offer.

Ed Davenport is chairman of the committee. Members are Bobby and Harold Rouse, Marvin Speight and Horton Rountree.

LT. COLONEL DUKE VISITS FAMILY HERE

Lt. Col. Charles M. Duke, who is on a several weeks' assignment of duty in Washington, D. C., spent last week end with his family here and will return this week end for a visit.

Mrs. Duke was with her husband in Washington last week. Mrs. Duke and children, Chuck and Allison, who have been making their home with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones, will leave next month for Germany where Col. Duke is stationed with the U. S. Army.

WESLEY CHURCH TO SELL BRUNSWICK STEW TODAY

Members of the Wesley Church will take orders for and deliver Brunswick stew today. Mrs. Claude Joyner is in charge of taking orders. The stew sells for \$1.25 a quart and 50c a pint.

CHANGE RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Davenport moved on Saturday from the Moore Apartment on Belcher street to the residence on North Barrett street, recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Fuquay.

Stantonsburg Is Only New Member Baseball League

The Bright Belt Baseball League will operate this summer with six teams—Farmville, Pinetops, Greenville, Ormondsville, Stantonsburg and Fremont. Lucama and Macclesfield, prospective members of the league, had failed to post their \$75 entrance fee and it is doubtful that either of these will elect to participate in the season's play.

The season will open on Saturday, April 19, and games will be played each Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday until July 2, after which games will be played only on week ends. Each team will play 45 games.

Teams will be allowed to carry 18 men on their rosters until May 19 when the limit will be 15. Umpires will be obtained from East Carolina College.

Representatives of the teams met last Friday night in the Town Hall and adopted rules and regulations to govern the season.

School Honor Roll Announced

Principal Sam Bundy of the Farmville high school has announced that the following students averaged an 'A' on all subjects during the fourth grading period and therefore merit a place on the honor roll for that time.

Third grade: Gina Allen, Monty Pickett, J. Y. Monk, Eddie Thomas, Johnny Mewborn, Shipley Ryan, Donnie Carraway, Jane Hogoborg, Eva May Lewis, Noel Lang, Elaine Walston.

Fourth grade: Kay Rader Allen, Caroline Lewis, Jimmy Folland, Faye Avery, Howard Moye, Jr., Shirley Ellis, Ed Williams, Bobby Williams, Doris Letchworth.

Fifth grade: Bobby Lee Joyner, Ann Frances Allen, Christine Allen, Jo Ann Hathaway, Gladys Beaman.

Sixth grade: James Henry Bundy, Beth Baker, Betsy King, Linda Mewborn, Eleanor Newton, Sandra Wooten, Barbara Roberson.

Seventh grade: Wade Mills, Effie Bagley, Jane Clark, Mary Ann Jenkins, Mac Eason, Marvin Hardee, Marion Pickett.

Eighth grade: Nan Williams, Ruth Corbitt, Jean Dail, Jane Joyner, Barbara Paramore.

Ninth grade: Emilie Cannon, Sybil Crumpler, Clara Belle Flanagan, Sue Flanagan, Faye Mewborn.

Tenth grade: Claire Cannon, Gita Cannon, Shirley Hardee, Jean Matthews, Eddie Bass, Bert Warren.

Eleventh grade: Dotie Jones, Jean Moore, Wilma Owens.

Twelfth grade: Jesse Mac Carraway, Jo Ann Thomas, Addie Tyson, Miriam Brock, Carolyn Roebuck.

WITH SERVICEMEN

Cpl. G. R. Smith, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Smith, who has been stationed at the Army Finance Center in St. Louis, Mo., for the past 14 months, is spending a short leave at his home here. He leaves Monday to report for duty at Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N. M. Smith will be assigned to the Finance Center at the New Mexico base.

Gorge Wooten, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wooten, who is stationed in Japan, recently received promotion from the rank of Private First Class to Corporal. His new address is: Cpl. George Harold Wooten, 8676 Co. A, 6th Tank Bn. Med. APO 24, Unit 2, San Francisco, Calif.

Ed Beckman, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Beckman, Jr., who has been stationed at a camp in Heilbronn, Germany for three months, received a promotion recently. He was selected honor guard and transferred to Headquarters Company. His new address is: Cpl. G. E. Beckman, U.S. 53040226 Hq. & Hq. Co. 112th Inf. Regt. 28th Div., APO 111, care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

REV. COATES TO BE REVIVALIST WILSON CHURCH NEXT WEEK

Rev. Edwin S. Coates will be the revivalist at special services which will be held in North Wilson Presbyterian Church beginning Sunday night and continuing through next week. Charles F. Baucum will direct the singing.

CONCESSION RIGHTS AT BALL PARK TO BE SOLD

The Farmville Baseball Club is accepting sealed bids for the rights to operate the concession at the local park this summer.

Robert Joyner, president of the club, will receive bids until March 15, after which directors of the club will approve the offer they consider for the best interest of the team.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor moved Saturday into the Moore apartment vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Davenport. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor moved from a residence on Pine street.