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An Awful Tragedy.

On Wednesday night of last week as the graduating exercises were in progress at a country school house 9 miles from Camden, S. C., a swinging kerosene lamp fell on the stage and exploded, and set the stage and building on fire. Panic ensued, all rushed for the one stairway leading from the upstairs auditorium, and the crowd broke down the stairway, women and children were trampled to death in the stampede, and some were killed or injured in the collapse of the stairway.

77 persons lost their lives and their bodies burned with the building. The whole number were buried in one grave near where the house stood. It is said that whole families in some instances were wiped out.

Automobile Wreck.

Mrs. W. A. Terry of Zebulon, bride of two months, who was sitting a sister, Miss Lillian Lawrence, a member of Philadelphus school faculty, was killed when a car she was driving on the road from Philadelphus to Maxton, (last Friday morning) turned over at a crossroads four miles south of Red Springs. Mrs. Lawrence, mother of Mrs. Terry, who was also in the car, had an arm broken.

Southern Pines Robbery.

For the past several months Jatch's store at Southern Pines has been frequently robbed, and on the night of May 10th a big haul on the store was made, and a negro was found dead on the streets of the town with some goods on him that were recognized as part of the Jatch stock. The dead negro is said to be Pat Simpson, and was killed in quarrel over a division of the loot. Three other negroes have been arrested and jailed charged with the robbery.

Miss Ann Eliza Ray.

Miss Ann Eliza Ray, a sister of the late Calvin Ray of Antioch, died at the home of her nephew, Mr. J. B. Ray of Allendale township on Tuesday night, May 13th, in the 89th year of her age.

Miss Ray was for many years a consistent member of Antioch church and was a most excellent woman, who lived a long and useful life. Her remains were interred at Antioch Wednesday afternoon.

McLauchlin Co. Robbed.

Thieves entered McLauchlin Co.'s store last Friday night about 11 o'clock through a rear window and took some goods, it is not known how much.

Some young men sitting in cars in front of the drug stores heard the crash of broken glass, and when night policeman Andrews came by a short while afterwards they told him what they heard. He went to the rear of the building and found a window broken out, and flashed a light into the building and some of the party drove their cars up to the front where the headlights hit the interior of the building, but it was later discovered that the rear door of the dry goods department was open, so the rogues escaped.

Blood hounds were put on the trail, but they were not caught.

One of the parties left his everyday shoes just inside the window where he entered.

To Whom It May Concern:

Take Notice! All persons are forbidden to bury at Silver Grove cemetery without a written permit from the undersigned, and no person who has become a native since the year 1903 without paying a fee of \$1 [one dollar] when receiving permit. Committee: Rev. J. D. Kemp, Chm. O. L. Roper. M. F. McLean. J. M. McNair, Permit Man.

Shop Talk.

The Journal does not believe in long-winded puffing, but it likes to carry a good lot of short news items. Help us get up these news items. They will make the paper interesting.

John H. McPhaul Dead.

John H. McPhaul, formerly of Allendale township, died at his home in Red Springs, Tuesday night, May the 14th inst., aged 54 years.

Mr. McPhaul was a good man, a sincere Christian, and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and three daughters, two of whom are married; three brothers, J. W. and F. F. McPhaul of Allendale, and A. D. of South Carolina; four sisters, Mesdames Kate Lowe and Sallie Bennett of Clio, S. C., Mesdames Ed. Walters and Arthur Currie of this county. His remains were buried at Antioch Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Hilton Graham of Raleigh spent Sunday with home-folks.

Raeford School Recorder

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Editorial.

We, the present editors of "The Recorder," with this issue finish our course. We hope that our columns have in some way benefitted the school and at the same time been of interest to the readers of this paper. We hope that we have by our efforts kindled a spark of journalistic or literary ambition among the students that will flame up and be of service to the school, town and to humanity. We do not think that our work merits any such reward but sometimes the humblest means are used to accomplish the greatest ends.

We can not lay down our pen without acknowledging our indebtedness to some of helpers and thanking them for their service. We want to again thank Mr. Poole for his generous gift of space and for his co-operation at all times. We want to thank Lois McDonald for her assistance in writing the "social news," Robert Covington for taking charge of "athletics" and Miss Bettie Tarpley for her able work as faculty adviser.

And now with all good wishes for the growth and progress of R. H. S. we lay down our pen for the last time.

Senior Banquet.

At 7 o'clock the Senior Class enjoyed a very sumptuous banquet which was served them by the 8th and 9th grade Domestic Science classes. This was the first class to enjoy the distinction of having a real Senior banquet and it was thoroughly enjoyed by the entire class. Gold and Blue, the class colors, were beautifully carried out in the table decorations. William Covington, the toastmaster, of the evening, called on various members of the class who responded with appropriate toasts as follows: To Our Alma Mater, Lois McDonald; To the Faculty, John McFadyen; Athletic Teams, Eloise McFadyen; To Our Past, Marion Dew; To Our Future, Mary Douglas Smith; To the Class, William Covington. The menu for the evening was as follows:

Fruit cocktail, grape fruit baskets, chicken salad, potato chips, stuffed tomatoes, green peas in pastry cups, beaten biscuits, pickle pineapple salad, cheese apples, ribbon sandwiches, iced tea, strawberry cream, cake, stuffed dates.

Athletics.

Our Baseball team closed a very successful season when they defeated Fayetteville 6-5 some time ago. In the season of 1923 thirteen games were played. Six of these resulted in victories for our team, five in defeats and two were ties. Our opponents included many of the strongest teams of the state and we consider this an enviable record. Below is the schedule:

- Raeford 6 Laurinburg 2.
- Raeford 3 Laurinburg 1.
- Raeford 3 Greensboro 3.
- Raeford 11 Greensboro 21.
- Raeford 3 Ellerbe 13.
- Raeford 10 Lumberton 7.
- Raeford 7 Lumberton 7.
- Raeford 8 Maxton 2.
- Raeford 6 Ellerbe 8.
- Raeford 10 Fletcher 13.

Mr. Clark Dead.

Last Saturday morning after he had arisen early as usual and had started to look after his affairs, he was taken ill with a severe pain about the heart. Mr. N. McP. Clark died suddenly. He had gone out early and told a colored man who was feeding stock that he was ill and wanted him to help him in the house. Upon reaching his bed he fell across it and expired before anything could be done for him.

Mr. Clark was a good man, and was highly esteemed by his neighbors. He was 65 years and 5 days old. He had been a member of Bethel church for many years. His remains were buried at Bethel Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. C. Brown conducting the funeral service.

Mr. D. H. Pearson of Blue Springs reports a new crop snap beans on the 18th.

Mrs. Colin Shaw of Statesboro, Ga., is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Thomas and sister, Mrs. R. L. Bethune.

Raeford 4. Sanford 4.
Raeford 10 Fayetteville 4.
Raeford 6 Fayetteville 5.

Letters Awarded
Since the close of the season "R" have been given to the following men for one year's service on the team: W. Covington (R), McKeithan (R), McQueen (R), Covington (R). Those receiving stars for more than one year's service were: J. McKeithan, Calbreath

(14 stars), A. McLean (R 3 stars), Brown (R 3 stars), Upchurch (R 2 stars), Snead (R 2 stars).

Officers for next year have also been elected. Lewis Upchurch, an out fielder with two years experience, was elected to fill the position of Captain and "Browine" McQueen was chosen Manager. We believe that we have two capable men at the head of next year's team diamond squad and we say, "We're behind you, Captain Upchurch and Manager McQueen, to the last man."

As a token of their appreciation for his service during the past season the base ball letter men presented Coach Make McKeithan with a gold base ball charm on last Tuesday at a meeting held for that purpose.

Jokes.

The other afternoon while helping make the wreaths for Memorial Day was heard made the following remark: "I tell you we sho are some tourists."

Miss Hockett: [in class] What have you prepared for today?
Frek: For the worst.

"I certainly am absorbing a lot of knowledge," said the student as he erased the algebra problem from the black board.

Teacher: [in class] Order! Order! Bud McKeithan [just awakening]: Make it ham and eggs.

Herman Campbell: [in class] Can you recommend something to keep my hair in?

Druggist: Why most any kind of candy or cigar box would do.

Willie Waltart: Do you play on the piano, Neill?

Neill Currie: I used to but I've stopped now.
Willie: Why?
Neill: I had to. They were afraid I would fall and hurt myself.

Short Items.

N. C. McFadyen is postmaster at Camercon.

The schools of Hoke county are now history.

There are several bales of cotton in Hoke still unsold.

St. Pauls has let a contract for four miles of concrete sidewalks.

Misses Lona Graham and Lloyd Tapp spent Thursday in Raleigh.

Mr. E. W. Huggins of Raeford, R. 1, is selling some fine cabbage in town.

It would reduce Hoke's indebtedness quite a lot if Uncle Sam were to pay \$50,000 of it.

Mr. Knox Poole of Troy has accepted a position with Hoke Mantel & Screen Works.

Some fishermen caught a 7-foot alligator in Opie Odom's mill pond near St. Pauls recently.

Miss Mary McFayen, who has been sick at her home on Magnolia street, is improving slowly.

Miss Mary Eliza McFadyen, who taught at Dover, Craven county, the past year, is now at home.

Mrs. W. M. Norton, who is at Highsmith's hospital for treatment, is improving we are glad to hear.

Mrs. A. B. McFadyen has returned from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. T. K. Cobb of St. Pauls.

Mr. J. A. Hodgins is rebuilding his mill dam which was washed out by a freshet several months ago.

His friends here sympathize with Hon. H. E. Stacey of Lumberton, who was bereft of his wife a few days ago.

A small alligator was caught in Aberdeen Lake (that's what they call a mill pond in Moore) one day last week.

People want amusement, and they like base ball, so this Raeford arrangement is about the best we ever knew:

Miss Mary Poole, who was a member of the high school faculty, Aulander, Bertie county, has returned home.

Raeford exhibits its first home grown chautauqua in June, and we'll bet it will be the best that was ever in this town.

Mr. Jephtha Peele who was operated on two weeks ago at Highsmith's, is getting along some better the past few days.

The rains last week were a great deal heavier in the southern part of the county, and we had plenty for one time here.

Hoke county at last has about met its quota in the Davidson College campaign for \$600,000 building and betterment fund.

A rogue stole Mr. H. T. Pickler's car from his home near Ashley Heights ten days ago. He is offering \$50 reward for its return.

Mrs. J. A. Blue who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Highsmith's three weeks ago, will soon be well; she came Saturday.

Camp Bragg aviators started on a from coast to coast fly Friday morning. They reached Columbia, S. C., 140 miles in 1 hour and 40 minutes.

Mr. Robert Hendrix recently made a trip by automobile thru Richmond, Auson and Union counties in this State, and on to Chesterfield, S. C. He found crop conditions very unfavorable.

Miss Maude Poole spent the week-end with Mrs. D. S. McEachern of St. Pauls.

Miss Flora Belle Currie, who taught in Purvis high school the past year, is at home.

The Journal is sorry to hear that Mr. J. K. Blue of Blue Springs is critically ill.

Mr. R. L. Bethune has been quite sick we are sorry to chronicle. It is he is a little improved.

Mr. J. C. McLean has been confined to his room by illness for the past two weeks we are sorry to learn.

His numerous friends are glad to see Mr. L. E. Reaves back at home and on the road to recovery, after a long seige in a hospital.

Sheriff Watson and Chief McQuage captured a whisky still, a gas tank, over on Nicholson's creek Monday, and captured the alleged operator, one Bland, colored. The officers in this county capture four or five stills a month.

Base Ball.

Two week's ago the local base ball league opened, and have since played eight games. We go to press before yesterday's game was played. The game Monday afternoon was the best game of the season for eight innings.—It was real base ball—between the McGoogan's and the Army, but in the fatal 8th stanza the Macks collapsed and the Army made 13 revolutions, and won 18 to 4. Batteries: Macks, McKeithan and McKeithan; Army, Poole and Poole.

Standing of the clubs:			
	Won	Lost	Pc
Clarks	2	1	667
Thos.	2	1	667
Army	2	2	500
Macks	1	3	250

1st game, Macks 8, Army 12.
2nd " Thos. 8, Clarks 9.
3rd " Clarks 7, Macks 8.
4th " Army 9, Thos. 10.
5th " Thos. 10, Macks 9.
6th " Thos. 13, Army 11.
7th " Army 18, Macks 4.

FOR SALE—I will sell my house hold and kitchen furniture Monday, May 28th, 1923, at residence.
MRS. MCNAIR MCNEILL.

FOR SALE—Calcium Arsenate. Recommended by both the State and United States Department of Agriculture for Boll Weevil control. A definite shortage is predicted by the time dusting becomes active this season. We are also agents for different types of dusting machines, all of which are recommended by the Department of Agriculture. For prices address D. M. Varnadoe & Company, Box 69, Fayetteville, N.C.

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