

**Mr. Louis H. Hobson.**

Mr. Louis H. Hobson, aged 85 years, died at his home in Mc-Lauchlin township on Tuesday, August 7th, 1923.

He lived a long and useful life. His nearest neighbors thought well of him. He was held in high esteem by a large number of friends.

He was a deeply pious man, and lived a consistent member of the Methodist church for many years. For many weeks he lay waiting for the last call.

Mr. Hobson was a brave Confederate soldier and did well his part for a cause he loved, and was a good and useful citizen since the close of that fratricidal strife.

His remains were interred in Raeford cemetery Wednesday afternoon, a large gathering of friends assembling to pay a last tribute of respect.

**Heins Telephone Company Buys Exchange.**

The Heins Telephone Co. has bought all the interests in the Sanford Telephone Exchange. Since their going to Sanford more than a year ago, the Heins owned only a half interest in that business until recently they are sole owners.

The Heins Telephone Co. will proceed to improve the system and will spend a bunch of money in making it just what they want, for Sanford is a progressive town, filled with a lively, energetic people who will appreciate an up-to-date phone service, such as the Heins propose to give them.

**A Bad Wrecking.**

Sunday evening at 6.30 Mr. John Howell of Raeford in a Ford coupe and Mr. Halbert McLeod of Maxton in a Ford touring car met in collision on the Dundarrach road on a curve near Mr. J. H. McKenzie's home.

Mr. Howell who was alone, was thrown through the windshield, and was unhurt. His coupe was wrecked totally. With Mr. McLeod were five ladies and children.

Those in the touring car were all more or less injured.

Mr. McLeod was badly cut and bruised.

Mrs. McLeod, an elderly lady, had collarbone and arm broken, and was bruised and lacerated.

Mrs. Monroe, a daughter of Mrs. McLeod, had collarbone broken, and received various cuts and bruises.

Miss Morrison, a young lady, was only slightly injured.

Mrs. Howard McNair was only shocked and bruised. A little son of Mrs. Monroe was not seriously hurt.

The injured were carried to the home of Mr. J. H. McKenzie, nearby, and every assistance possible was rendered.

Dr. Wilkins of Raeford was called, also Miss Margaret Hall, G. N., and the best aid within their skill was given.

It was a serious accident, and neither driver blames the other. It happened at a sharp curve where tall corn shuts off the view. The cars sidwiped.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Covington left Friday morning for a trip to the mountains.

**The Rockfish Reunion.**

Last Friday was a gala day for Rockfish and community. It was the occasion for the reunion of the Hoke County Confederate veterans, and others, particularly World War veterans shared in the honors as especially invited guests.

At Rockfish Friday there were five Confederate veterans, one Spanish American war veterans and some twenty-five World War veterans and a few hundreds of the rest of us.

It was as usual, a veritable feast of the best the country affords, in a country where the best can be afforded. To the regular picnic menu barbecued pork, well cooked and delightfully flavored was added. At a picnic you get a line on the grade of cooks in a community. In the Rockfish community they grade A 1. It was a sumptuous dinner. Then, the attention a guests received enables him to barometrically estimate the hospitality of the section, so to speak. We all fix our estimates by the impressions made on us. Rockfish and community made a most favorable impression upon her guests on this occasion. Those people did well their duty at this reunion.

At 2:30 P. M. a memorial service for President Harding was conducted by Rev. R. A. McLeod, pastor of Galatia. A Rev. Mr. Deaton of Fayetteville was the chief speaker, who paid a high tribute to the nation's departed head. It was a very appropriate and impressive service.

Camp Lamb adopted resolutions of respect to the memory of our chief executive which they ordered spread upon their minutes and published. They are as follows:

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from this earthly existence to a higher citizenship above, the head of this our great and beloved country, Warren G. Harding, President, wise statesman and patriotic American citizen, therefore, be it resolved:

1st. That while we meekly bow to the will of an alwise and overruling Providence, we mourn with our fellowcitizens in this national and overshadowing sorrow and great grief.

2nd. That we extend to his beloved and true wife our heart, felt sympathy and assurances of condolence, commending her to our only source of hope and comfort the well spring of our souls, God omnipotent, who is love, and doeth all things well.

3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved wife of our honored and deceased President and that they be spread upon the minutes of our camp and that a copy be sent Hoke County Journal for publication.

**Colored High School.**

The board of education has let the contract for a colored high school and actual construction has been begun on the building.

The school is located a mile north of town, and will be a framed building amply large for all purposes.

If we are not mistaken, they will make two high schools in the county for the colored race, one near Bowmore and the other near Raeford.

New lot Lot Laces just received to sell at 5c yard. Baucom's Cash Store, Raeford N. C.

**A Joyous Social Event.**

One of the most enjoyable social affairs of the season occurred Thursday evening, August 2nd, when Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Reaves celebrated their twenty fifth wedding anniversary.

Under the skillful direction of Mrs. C. V. Johnson of Smithfield the spacious home was tastefully decorated for the occasion, lovely color schemes being carried out in the various rooms by means of ferns, cut flowers and tulle. The reception hall and parlor, which were thrown together, were decorated in white and green. The back hall was in yellow; the gift room, where the lovely silver was displayed, was in pink and green; and the dining room in red and green. The table in the dining, with silver cornucopias filled with flowers, and an immense bride's cake with the dates, "1898-1923" in silver was especially attractive.

The guests were greeted at the front door by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas. They were then directed to the punch bowl by Mrs. C. W. Tate, where they were served punch by Miss Mary Poole and Mr. Robert Hatcher. Mr. Arch Currie introduced to the receiving line composed of the following: Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Reaves, Mr. Roy Reaves, Mrs. Maultsby, of Montrose, Mrs. Reaves, Master L. E. Reaves, Jr., Master Hallie Reaves, Mrs. W. A. Bingham of Raeford, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Egan of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. E. M. Munday, Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Mr. J. W. Whittenton of Raeford, Mrs. T. J. Lassiter of Raeford, C. V. Johnson of Smithfield.

Receiving those in the receiving line were Mrs. A. A. Williford and Mrs. Lila Blue. Receiving in the dining room were Misses Annie May Fuller and Maude Poole and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cameron. A group of young girls as follows served a delicious course of ice cream and cake: Misses Kathleef Blue, Mary McBryde, Sarah McEachern, Flora McPhail and Jewel Snead.

Receiving in the back hall were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bethune. At the gift room door were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thomas, while those receiving in the gift room were Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Fuller and Miss Annie McEachern. Presiding over the Victrola which furnished music throughout the evening were Miss Alberta Fuller and Dr. K. B. Geddie. The registration book was in charge of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fuller. Those directing the serving of the refreshments were Mrs. Will Lentz, Mrs. S. A. Snead and Miss Mary Pratt.

About a hundred guests called during the evening to wish Mr. and Mrs. Reaves continued happiness and prosperity. The lovely array of silver was a silent attestation of the esteem in which this "young couple" and their family are held.

(Received too late for last week's issue.—EDITOR.)

**A Small Blaze.**

Since lightning disabled the Raeford Power & Mfg. Co. plant more than a week ago, water is being pumped for the town by two tractors, and Monday night one of those started a fire. Mr. Starr McMillan, who was working about it, had his hands badly burned. The fire alarm was given and a crowd responded, but the damage was not great.

**Evangelistic Meeting at Bethel.**

Rev. Daniel A. McNeill, second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McNeill, will preach in a series of evangelistic meetings to be held at Bethel August 20 to 31st, inclusive.

Mr. McNeill, a graduate at Raeford Institute; Davidson College, Union Theological Seminary and took Post Graduate course at Princeton Seminary.

After finishing at Princeton he took up work as assistant Minister in 1st Presbyterian church, Norfolk, Va. From this charge he went to do Evangelistic work in Savannah Presbytery. He was at this work only a few months when the call to the army was answered. Volunteered for Army Y. M. C. A. work, in which capacity service was rendered for a year. He was then commissioned as Chaplain and went overseas and joined the Regular Army. When discharged in Camp Funston he was acting Division Chaplain.

Since then, two churches have been served in pastoral way; Mangum, Oklahoma, and Little Rock, Ark., the Pulaski Heights Presbyterian church. At present he is visiting his wife's people in Norfolk in Norfolk, Va., and supplying the Park Ave church for the months of August and September.

He has had experience in Evangelistic work and delights in it, and is especially glad to conduct a meeting in a church so full of good history as Bethel church.

This is the church of his paternal ancestors, and many of his relatives are members of this church.

An invitation is extended to the people of Antioch, his home church, and Raeford, his first place to experience campus life, and a good one it was, he remembers.

**Note of Thanks.**

The Maxton people, who were injured in the wreck near Gold Hill Sunday, have asked me to express their deep appreciation of the noble assistance rendered by the Hoke county people. Especially do they wish to thank Mr. McKenzie and his family and all others who so cheerfully and kindly rendered all possible assistance. Their relatives at home join them in their praise of hospitality and kindness of the Hoke county people.

J. A. McGoogan.

**Superior Court.**

Judge Neil A. Sinclair of Fayetteville convened Hoke Superior court Monday morning, and succeeded at once to the dispatch of business.

The following were drawn and served as Grand Jurors:

- J. B. Thomas, Foreman,
- Graham McEachern,
- M. A. Patterson,
- A. A. Guin,
- D. McKeithan,
- J. L. McLeod,
- J. A. Blue,
- J. D. McGoogan,
- A. B. McLauchlin,
- Elbert McLeod,
- A. R. Morris,
- D. B. Traywick,
- Lacy McFadyen,
- W. L. Bethune,
- T. B. Upchurch,
- W. H. Jordan,
- A. A. McInnis,
- W. J. Conoly.

**Card of Thanks.**

So many expressions of love and sympathy have come to us in the hours of grief in the death of our son that we find it impossible to write each a personal letter of thanks, so we are taking this method of thanking our friends for their thoughtfulness. While these expressions cannot reach the depths of our sorrow, it is a comfort to us to know that we have so many friends who are anxious to do something for us in this dark hour. May God bless each one and keep you from a sorrow like ours.

We are trying to anchor our faith and hope in the wisdom and love of God.

Sincerely,

B. P. Robinson and family.

Raeford is a hard town to drain. When a rain comes water ponds around the depot. Let's build that so high and sharp it will split a raindrop.

**NOTICE.**

You will have to go a long way to better things to eat than we sell. Melrose Flour, Royal Scariotte Tiny Peas Royal Scariotte Coffee, Columbia River Red Salmon, Heinz Loose Mixed Pickles, L. S. Mixed Pickles q. jars, Mooresboro Creamery Butter, Kingans Hams and Bacon, Fresh Cheese Spaghetti, Pure Country Honey, Log Cabin Syrup, Pillsbury Pancake Flour, Fresh Fish every Saturday, Fresh Bread & Cakes Daily.

McNeill Grocery Co. Home of Better Things to Eat. Phone 244.

## The Best Battery

Aug. 4th, 1923.

Messrs. Main Street Filling Station, Raeford, N. C.

Gentlemen:

The late Dr. George A. Graham purchased a Buick Four car in February 1917 and had driven it 19,000 miles in December 1922 when he sold it to me. Up to that time the batteries had never been recharged, although in use over a period of nearly six years.

I drove the car 4,000 miles more before it became necessary to exchange it for new ones. I did not know the trade name of the batteries I had been using; but had decided if they were EXIDE BATTERIES I would buy Exide again.

Naturally anybody would want the same brand as the sort which had lasted him six years without recharging, and which had given him light and power over a road twenty-three thousand miles long.

So, when we took the old dead batteries there on the side of the box was the name "EXIDE" and the date, September 1916, printed on a metal plate, showing that Exides had done the fine work and that you were going strong for a sale.

So I am now using EXIDES and expect to prove again their excellence.

Yours very truly,

ARTHUR D. GORE.

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