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## Stores Robbed.

Night Policeman L. W. Andrews found a one armed negro in the A. & R. waiting room counting money about 1 o'clock last Thursday morning, and when the fellow saw that he had been discovered, he broke and ran and the officer failed to stop him.

Investigation showed that Townsend & Gore's and McGill & McNeill's stores had been robbed.

A strange one armed negro had been seen in town the day before. He had taken supper with a colored damsel at Ed Buie's cafe that night. Her apartment in town was visited and goods recognized as part of Townsend & Gore's stock found. She was arrested and jailed, and a clue obtained as to who the robber was. Officers McQuage and Andrews went to Aberdeen in search for the man. Chief of Police Page of Aberdeen was notified and was on the look out. He found him between Aberdeen and Southern Pines, arrested him, placed him on the rear seat of a closed car, while Page himself and a young man named Genes, who drove the car, took the front seat. In a mirror on the front of the car Genes saw a negro draw a gun. He told Page. Page arose, jumped upon him, but as he did this the negro fired four shots into him. As he jumped Page dropped his pistol, this Genes secured and shot the negro dead. All this occurred in a few minutes after the negro had been arrested.

The negro was supposed to be Henry Howard of Danville, Va., and was wanted for crimes committed in several towns, and rewards were offered for him. And by various articles found on him, he was the strange negro seen in Raeford Wednesday, and without doubt the man who robbed the stores in this town.

Policeman W. P. Page of Aberdeen was a good man, efficient officer, and the news of his tragic death was learned of with much sorrow here.

Newspapers in giving the report of hogs killed add "after being dressed," as if anybody ever gave the gross weight.

There are very few miles good roads in North Carolina. The weather this winter has shown that fact. The Old North State has undertaken the impossible.

## McCain Succeeds McBrayer.

Raleigh, Jan. 9.—The resignation of Dr. L. B. McBrayer as superintendent of the state sanatorium for tubercular patients at Sanatorium was accepted by the institution board of directors in session today at Sanatorium and Dr. P. P. McCain, son-in-law of Dr. McBrayer and assistant superintendent of the Sanatorium was elected to succeed his father-in-law, according to a telegram to the Associated Press from Dr. T. W. M. Long, chairman of the sanatorium board.

Director J. C. Thomas of Raeford resigned at this meeting also.—Ed.

## Miss Cora McCormick Passes.

(The Laurinburg Exchange.) Miss Cora McCormick, daughter of Mr. W. H. McCormick, lives in the Turnout section just over the line in Robeson county, died Saturday morning, January 5, at the home of her uncle, Mr. E. J. Hester, of the Stryrna section, following a brief illness of pneumonia. Funeral services were conducted Sunday at 11:00 a. m. at Smyrna church, Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick and Rev. Frank Culbreth officiating.

## James C. McBryde.

While riding in a side car of a motorcycle Thursday night, Jan. 10th, James C., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McBryde of Antioch, was instantly killed on the road between Chapel Hill and Durham, when the motorcycle collided with a wagon at a curve in the road.

Mr. McBryde was a fine young man, well liked by everybody who knew him. He was a Junior at the State University, and was working to pay his way through college.

He was a member of Company G, 200th Art. of Raeford and was very popular with both officers and enlisted men. The company attended the funeral at Antioch Saturday in a body. The funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. W. Goodman.

It is very sad to see a young life so full of promise suddenly snapped out, and we deeply sympathize with his parents and many friends in this sad bereavement.

Men's Work Shirts from 48c up  
Baucom's Cash Store,  
Raeford, N. C.

## M. D. Bethune Passes.

Mr. M. D. Bethune died last Thursday evening at 6 o'clock, after a short but severe illness. He had been in feeble health for several years, being able to be out but little, and a few days before his death he contracted a severe cold which developed into bronchial pneumonia, which resulted fatally as above stated.

Mr. Bethune was a son of Hon. Lauchlin Bethune, who represented this district in Congress prior to the Civil War, and was born April 28th, 1842, dying Jan. 10th, 1924, which made his age 81 years, 8 months and 12 days. Mr. Bethune was twice married; first to Miss Margaret Blue of Bethesda, who died in October, 1889. To this union was born four sons and one daughter: Dr. A. C. Bethune of Jackson Springs, Messrs. R. L., W. L. and Luther Bethune and Mrs. J. S. Maultsby of Raeford. His second wife was Miss Eliza Dew, who also died in 1913.

Of the Lauchlin Bethune family of five sons and six daughters, only one survives, Mr. Wm. J. Bethune of Harriet county. Mr. Bethune was noted for his kindness and liberality. It may be truly said of him he lived not for himself, but for others. He was always friendly, so he had a multitude of friends. He served as a Confederate soldier throughout the Civil war, and was brave and true as steel.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and was ready and his last days were cheerfully spent in waiting, only waiting till the shadows were a little longer grown. He enjoyed more the association of loved ones and friends as the cold waves of the Jordan of death lashed about his feet. But for him the Dread Monster held no terrors.

His remains were laid to rest in Raeford cemetery Friday afternoon, Rev. W. C. Brown conducting the funeral service, assisted by Rev. A. C. McCall of Bunlevel.

The active pallbearers were his grand sons or nephews; they were Messrs. E. J. Bethune, John Bethune, Gus Bethune, Frank Bethune, C. C. Bethune, Braxton Byrd, Wm. L. Poole, W. Lee Maultsby. Honorary: J. W. McLauchlin, S. J. Cameron, Jephtha Peete, W. M. Blue, D. S. Poole, A. A. Williford, John R. McNeill and J. A. Blue.

## Rev. H. G. Hill is Dead.

Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., pastor of Maxton and Centre churches, died at his home at Floral College early Tuesday morning, aged 92 years, one month and 24 days.

Dr. Hill preached twice Sunday week ago, going to Milton Chapel, several miles out in the severe cold. He contracted a cold which developed pneumonia and this caused his death.

It is said that he conducted family worship during his illness and that he preached twice last Sunday, as he lay in his bed, to those in the house, and his voice rang strong and clear.

We are glad we had him here on the 5th Sunday in December. That great sermon, in which he so exalted the Savior of men, will long remain in the minds of all who heard him. It was a fitting farewell.

Nisbet & Howell start a clear race tomorrow, Friday, and their page ad. mentions only a few of their bargain prices.

Fine stock of good Hosiery for men, women and children.  
Baucom's Cash Store,  
Raeford, N. C.

## Death of Mrs. McKeithan.

Mrs. Daniel McKeithan died at her home in this town at 9 o'clock Friday evening, January 11th, following more than a year of illness. Although an invalid, her bright, happy cheerfulness never forsook her, and her suffering was borne with Christian fortitude; she had a bright smile for all, and seemed to appreciate beyond words the devotion of both her husband and her children.

Mrs. McKeithan was a member of Raeford Presbyterian church, and her strong faith sustained her in her last hours. She was a true wife, a tender and loving mother. Her going creates a void the world cannot fill. She was born Jan. 30th, 1850, so she was 73 years, 11 months and 11 days old.

The funeral was conducted from the residence at 11 o'clock by her pastor, Rev. W. C. Brown, last Sunday morning.

Before marriage she was a Miss Blue, daughter of the late Neil R. Blue, of a family of 12 children, only four of her brothers and sisters remain—Messrs. Neil S., Jas. A., D. J. Blue and Mrs. C. J. Gillis of Raeford.

Besides her husband Mrs. McKeithan leaves six sons and five daughters, Messrs. John, Thomas, Daniel, Malcolm, Martin and Herbert McKeithan of Raeford; Mrs. E. T. Davis, Mrs. N. McL. McDiarmid, Mrs. Jas. S. Poole, Misses Eliza and Mayme McKeithan of Raeford.

The pall bearers were her nephews, Messrs. Halbert, Henry, John, John McKay and N. B. Blue, Frank Cameron, N. B. Sinclair and John Cameron.

We wish to thank our many friends for the kindness shown to us during our recent misfortune.

## A. R. Morris and Family

**Hoke County Cotton.**  
There were 18,508 bales of cotton ginned in Hoke county from the crop of 1923 prior to January 1, 1924, as compared with 17,157 bales ginned to Jan. 1st, 1923.

## Enjoying Prosperity.

The A. & R. Railroad reports a prosperous year in 1923, handling more business last year than in any year since the road was built, except the year 1919. It is determined by the company to rebuild the road, putting down heavier rail and making other improvements.

## Thomas B. Pace Passes.

Maxton, Jan. 9.—Thomas B. Pace, prominent citizen of this place, died here this afternoon at 5 o'clock. He was 73 years old. For 30 years he had been a resident of Maxton and had been vitally identified with the industrial and agricultural interests of this section.

## A Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank our many friends for their kindness, sympathy and helpful benevolence in our recent sad bereavement, the accidental death of our beloved son James.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McBryde.

## The Late M. D. Bethune.

The passing of this good man deserves more than a brief notice. For many years Mr. Bethune was an outstanding figure in this section and possessed, to an unusual degree, many very fine traits of character. His great honesty, love of justice, coupled with a never-failing optimism (chronic cheerfulness you might call it) drew to him many friends. This writer knew him well for above forty years coming, here a stranger we soon found in him a friend that never failed us.

Early in life he struck the key note for a successful life, not in amassing wealth, though he possessed a keen far sighted vision as a business man, but he chose the better part, that of a life of service to his fellowman. He was largely of French extraction, and was warm hearted, courageous and optimistic to an unusual degree, and found his chief joy in befriending the poor and needy.

For a period of forty years or more this writer's home was in close touch with the sick and needy of this section, and Mr. Bethune was a ministering angel in many homes. He would drive for miles to take the necessities of life to the poor and leave with this injunction: "Get anything they need and charge it to me." I venture the assertion that he bore the expense of more funerals among the poor than any man in Eastern Carolina.

He was an extremely modest man, and never alluded to his benevolences. He cared very little for wealth—worldly wealth.

but how keen his ear was to the cry of the needy—and by hearing the distress of a widow, where others were deaf to her entreaty, an overruling Providence multiplied his worldly goods many times, his numerous benefactions were as "bread cast upon the waters." He had a supreme faith in God the Father overruling every step of His children, and often spoke of his miraculous escape from death in several instances. When he was an infant of three weeks, his mother one day left her room and bade a servant change the feather beds. The servant folded the bed, and tossed it out of a second story window, unmindful of the fact that the sleeping babe was under the cover. He was a brave Confederate soldier, and in battle a Yankee bullet struck a Bible in his breast pocket, glanced aside, without harm, and only a few years ago he was run down by an automobile and painfully but not seriously injured.

Withal, a man of high ideals—"whose spirit knew no guile," has gone to a great reward, and no doubt but the pearly gates were flung ajar to admit his pure chivalous spirit.  
MRS. A. P. DICKSON.

The Mildouson High School will present a play, The Parson's Vacation, a comedy in four acts, in the school auditorium Jan. 18 at 8 o'clock. Admission 20 and 35c. Everybody is invited to attend.

LOST—Brown Fur Neck Piece in Raeford Jan. 11th. If found return to Townsend & Gore and receive reward.

**DR. JAS. F. PARKER,**  
Druggist Physician  
Johnson-Thomas Building  
Spinal and Electrical Treatments  
Telephone: Office 344, Residence 219  
Hours: 9 to 12, 2 to 5:30.  
Raeford, N. C.  
In Aberdeen Tuesday and Thursday afternoons

FOR SALE or exchange: C. W. Seate fine residence on Main street. Lot 150 x 250. See C. W. Seate or W. L. Poole

STOLEN—From our yard on night of 6th a brown female collie dog, 2 years of age, answers to the name "Jen." A very suitable reward for information leading to recovery of same.  
WILLIAM DICKSON.

Several new styles in foot-wear just received. "Star Brand" Shoes are better.  
Baucom's Cash Store,  
Raeford, N. C.

See us for your cabbage plants.  
McNeill Grocery Co

Notice of Sale of Personal Property  
By Administrator.

Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me I will expose to sale to the highest bidder at public auction in Main street, Raeford, N. C. in front of Farmers Furnishing Co. on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock P. M., January the 19th, 1924, the following property:  
One mule and buggy, same being all the personal property of Sarah Nicholson, deceased, late of Hoke County, N. C.  
Terms of Sale: Cash.  
Place of Sale: In front of Farmers Furnishing Co., Raeford, N. C.  
Time of Sale: Saturday, the 19th, at 3 P. M.  
This the 7th day of Jan., 1924.  
N. McL. McDIARMID,  
Administrator of the Estate of Sarah Nicholson.

**EYES EXAMINED**  
Glasses Ground and Fitted Same Day.  
**DR. JULIUS SHAFFER,**  
Phone 541  
Fayetteville, N. C.

Notice of Sale.  
By virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust, dated November 15, 1921, executed by W. M. Pate and wife, M. Nina Pate, to T. A. McNeill, Jr., trustee for W. M. Bridges, which is duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, in Book 30, page 269, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned trustee will on Monday, February 11, 1924, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, at the court house door of Hoke County, offer for sale, for cash to the highest bidder at public auction, the following described tract of land, to-wit:  
In Little River Township, Hoke County, beginning at Brooks' upper corner in the public road, and runs as Brooks' line N. 21 E. 3/4 chains 40 links to a stake in Darrook's line; thence as it N. 86 W. 17 links to a stake, his corner, east of Spring Branch; thence his other line N. 24 E. 17 chs. to a stake; thence N. 86 W. 16 chs. 80 links crossing a branch to a stake; thence N. 3 E. 40 chains to a stake and pointers, Jim McLean's corner; thence as his line N. 85 W. 8 chains 55 links to a stake; thence S. 54 E. 5 chains 46 links to a stake; thence S. 6 W. 8 chains 11 links to a stake, Johnson's corner; thence N. 86 W. 34 chains to a stake; thence S. 34 W. 35 chains 25 links to a stake in the branch, Hart's corner; thence S. 64 W. 36 chains 8 links to a stake; thence N. 54 W. 15 chains 30 links to a stake at the public road to the beginning; containing 157 1/2 acres, more or less, EXCEPT 43 acres being conveyed by deed registered in Book 17, page 63 and 50 acres conveyed by deed registered in Book \_\_\_\_\_ page \_\_\_\_\_ by W. S. Malloy to F. M. Wiggins, registries above referred to being of Hoke County. This deed conveyed 74 acres, more or less, as surveyed by G. S. Harrell for W. M. Pate in 1918.  
Date of Sale: February 11, 1924.  
Place of Sale: Hoke County Court House Door.  
Terms of Sale: Cash.  
This Jan. 8th, 1924.  
T. A. McNEILL, JR., Trustee,  
McNeill & Hackett,  
Attorneys for Mortgagee.

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