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Mrs. Lester Hostess.

Mrs. T. B. Lester entertained on Wednesday morning of last week in honor of her sister, Mrs. W. C. Blount of Macon, Ga. Provision was made for both rook and bridge.

After a number of progressions, an enjoyable two-course luncheon was served. Her guests on this occasion were: Mrs. W. C. Blount of Macon, Ga., Mrs. J. B. Thomas, Mrs. S. Q. McCraw, Mrs. J. A. McGougan, Mrs. W. M. Thomas, Mrs. Paul Dickson, Mrs. J. A. Clifton, Jr., Mrs. Alfred Cole, Mrs. H. McK. McDiarmid, Mrs. R. B. Stuart, Mrs. L. B. Brandon, Mrs. W. T. Covington, Mrs. W. F. Lentz, Mrs. H. L. Gatlin, Mrs. Ryan McBryde, Mrs. R. L. Murray, Mrs. G. B. Rowland, Mrs. H. W. B. Whitley, Misses Margaret Currie and Loyd Tapp.

Mrs. J. T. Welsh Dies.

The many friends of Mrs. J. T. Welsh of near Rockfish, were grieved to learn of her death, which occurred last Wednesday, June 26. Mrs. Welsh had been in ill health for sometime and recently underwent an operation at a hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon from the home near Davis bridge, and interment made in the Davis burying ground. Mrs. Welsh is survived by her husband, two sons and one daughter.

In Explanation.

We were misinformed, and a statement in last week's Journal was erroneous; Henry Tedder submitted to the charge of driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicants in Recorder's court just after his wild escapade and was fined \$50 and cost, prayer for judgment continued upon payment of the cost, the defendant to pay \$5 a week until \$50 are paid, and he has complied with terms up to this time. Having seen this man drive through town, we were interested in the case. Guess he knows now liquor is expensive.

Pineland College.

Pineland College at Salemburg, Sampson county, has an ad. in this issue of The Journal. It is a good school. This school was established a number of years ago, and has grown with time. Last year three hundred girls attended this school, these representing forty counties and six states.

Four years ago, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jones, joint presidents, deeded the school, valued at \$162,000, together with its \$100,000 endowment, a total of \$262,000, to a board of trustees, and have since given all they have been able to get to the school. So The Journal is glad to advertise a school like Pineland College.

Miss Kate Johnson Passes.

Miss Kate Johnson, a maiden lady, aged 71 years, died at her home in Little River township Wednesday, June 26th, and was buried at Cypress church on Thursday, Rev. D. McP. Monroe of Vass conducting the funeral service.

Miss Johnson lived all her life at the old Johnson home near Vass with her sister, Miss Mary Johnson and nephew, Mr. B. B. Johnson. She was a sister of Mrs. D. D. Black of Raeford, Route 2, and an aunt of - D. H. Johnson of Ashley Heights, and was a woman held in high esteem by all who knew her.

Scotland County News.

Albert Frank Bizzell, son of the late Frank T. Bizzell, of Laurinburg, has been missing since early in the year 1919, or soon after he received his discharge from the military service at the close of the World War. No one here, or any of his relatives, has seen or heard of the young man since. It is the supposition that he is dead, or has met some unexplained fate, otherwise his continued and strange absence from home and kin folks cannot be explained.

Inherited from his father's estate and now in the hands of C. D. McCormick, clerk of the superior court for Scotland county is considerable property, which belongs to Albert Frank Bizzell, or to his estate. Mr. McCormick says in round numbers, there is about \$2500 in cash and 75 acres of land. Since the death of young Bizzell's father, this property has been administered on by the clerk of the court.

William Roy McNeill, 22 year old colored man, and the mule he was riding, were killed by lightning late Thursday afternoon, June 20th, at the Gilchrist farm near Laurinburg. Mr. N. P. Gilchrist states that the man, and another colored man, were in the field plowing, when a rain and thunderstorm came on. They found shelter in a tenant house nearby, and waited there until the rain was over. Thinking that there was no further danger, the two men mounted their mules and started for the barns at the Gilchrist home, traveling a road across the field. The mule which Roy McNeill was riding was what the farm folks call pert. She walked fast, and thus Roy got ahead of the other man and mule. Suddenly there was a bolt out of the sky. The mule pitched forward on its knees, and the man shot overhead and stretched out on the ground. Neither of them ever moved again, it is stated.

Resurrecting an ancient ordinance against the operation of filling stations in Laurinburg on Sundays, the board of Town commissioners Tuesday ordered the police department to close all filling stations within the city limits hereafter on Sundays.--Laurinburg Exchange.

Rising Taxes.

What is known as the "Santa Claus theory of government," whereby public funds are used for the benefit of privileged groups, territories or businesses is one of the surest known ways to increase the tax burden.

Paternalistic schemes, designed to help the few at the expense of many, should be as foreign to democratic principles of government as obnoxious class legislation.

It is an obvious fact that burdensome taxes are not the result of expenditures for actual governmental functions. The tax rate rises in direct proportion to the extent the government branches away from governing into the field of commercial business. Then waste, inefficiency and bureaucracy creep in.

Under a truly individualistic system, government really governs and keeps out the business and private lives of its citizens so far as possible. In recent years determined attempts have been made to carry us far afield from this basic democratic principle of government.

To insure your tobacco barn means that you will get the money to rebuild, should it burn.

The Fundamentals of Safety.

In the opinion of the head of the National Safety Council, the four fundamentals of accident prevention are a belief in safety, acceptance of the principle of personal responsibility by every citizen, an active, not a passive attitude toward the accident menace and leadership to eradicate it.

Automobile accidents are the result of three causes—recklessness, incompetence or ignorance. There are few unpreventable accidents. The tremendous toll in lives taken each year is a shameful illustration of the failure of authorities and citizens to approach the problem from an intelligent angle.

Great industries, such as the railroads, have made amazing success in preventing accidents by study, education and enforcement of working rules.

Legislative accident prevention panaceas such as compulsory liability insurance, begin at the wrong end of the problem by attempting to indemnify instead of prevent. The result has been a tremendous expense to the careful, without accident reduction.

Tests have shown that enforcement of modernized traffic codes will appreciably reduce accidents in a short time. Education of school children has borne fine results in the past few years. Good results follow public interest and co-operation.

Harnett County News.

County Accountant J. E. DeGree is directing strong effort now toward securing sufficient funds for paying the balances on salaries due teachers in Harnett schools for the past session. Numbers of the teachers had to go home without their money for the last month's work, due to the fact that about fourteen hundred property owners in the county failed and refused to pay their taxes.

The volume of traffic on highway 21 is noticeably increasing since the completion of the hard surface link between the Wake county line and Lillington.--Harnett County News.

Sanford, June 24 --Last night during a heavy rain and a terrific storm a large barn of K. E. Seymore, on his farm one mile west of Sanford, was struck by lightning and totally destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Bledsoe Passes.

Mrs. W. P. Bledsoe, a native of South Carolina, aged about 75 years, died at the home of her son, Mr. George Bledsoe, in Raeford Cotton Mill village Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

She was for many years a member of the Baptist church, and was a good woman. She is survived by her husband and five children, all of whom are grown and are scattered over this and other states. Her remains were interred in Raeford cemetery Monday afternoon.

Mr. H. C. McLaughlin and little Josephine, are both confined to their room with mumps.

Mrs. R. M. Adams of Hamlet is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McLean, the latter her sister.

Mr. N. McL. McDiarmid, who was in the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, for treatment, returned home last Friday very much improved in health. His sister, Mrs. Kate McD. King, who accompanied him, returned also.

NEILL SMITH BLUE.

On August 12th, 1848, there was born to Neill McKeithan Blue and wife a son whom they named Neill Smith Blue. This son died last Sunday at Sandy Grove church just after the services had opened.

Mr. Blue was sick last week for a few days, but had recovered, and Sunday he went up to Sandy Grove church, where his pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell, was to preach (services are held at this church since the camp took in that territory on each 5th Sunday) and he seemed in his usual health. He stood and sang with the congregation the opening hymn, (What A Friend We Have In Jesus) and resuming his seat during the opening prayer, fell over as in a faint. Relatives noticed this and went to his assistance, but within a few moments he was dead.

Had he lived 43 more days he would have been 81 years old. He was elected and ordained a Ruling Elder in Sandy Grove church in 1873, and until the day of his death, for 56 years he faithfully filled this office.

The editor thought, with others, no doubt, that the members of Sandy Grove should have moved their membership to other churches after the camp reservation took in that church, but a speech by the late M. A. Patterson on a reunion occasion changed the writer's viewpoint. Associations and memories of a beloved past caused them to keep tact in that organization. Mr. Blue was never a member of any other church.

He was a self made man. Beginning life in limited circumstances, by industry and close application to business he became one of the largest land owners in this section. He was for years engaged in the manufacture of naval stores lumber, was an extensive farmer, merchant and stock raiser and railroad owner.

He was a kind and devoted husband and father, a good neighbor and friend. He leaves a wife, three sons and two daughters: Messrs. F. S. of Carthage, N. B. and J. McK. Blue of Raeford; Mrs. Charles Kaylor of Portsmouth, Va., Mrs. Edwin Fuller of Liberty. Two brothers survive, Messrs. J. A. and D. J. Blue of Raeford, and a large number of other relatives in Hoke, Cumberland and Moore counties.

The funeral was conducted from Raeford Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at 3:30 by his pastor, Rev. A. D. Carswell, assisted by Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., Rev. Eugene Alexander of Salisbury, a former pastor, and Rev. W. S. Golden, D. D., pastor of Carthage Presbyterian church, and interment in Raeford cemetery followed the services.

A very large concourse of relatives and friends gathered to pay a last tribute to one they loved and respected, for living the life of the just and upright, Mr. Blue merited the esteem of all, for he sought to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with his God.

The floral tribute was unusually large and exceptionally beautiful, which in a mute way expressed the esteem in which the deceased was held in the town and throughout this section of the state.

In respect to one of its founders, strongest supporters and directors, the Bank of Raeford closed Monday, and during the funeral hour the business houses

SHORT NEWS ITEMS.

Peaches are bringing from \$3 to \$7 per basket.

Miss Ida McLaughlin is visiting relatives at Smithfield.

Mr. Paul Fuller of Wilmington spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fuller.

Misses Addie Mae Gatlin, Dixie Reaves and Mr. Marion Gatlin spent last Wednesday in Norwood.

Mrs. W. P. Baker and little children have returned from a visit to the home of her parents in Pine Level.

Page Trust Company recently loaned the State \$4,000,000 at a lower rate than it could be obtained in New York for.

Mr. Robert Peele, who is attending summer school at Wake Forest, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Will Peele.

Mrs. Joe Gullidge and Miss Susan Gullidge have returned from a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in Greensboro.

It is now thought something like a dozen cars of cucumbers will be shipped from Raeford. Three cars have gone forward.

Mrs. D. S. Poole, Mrs. Luke Bethune and daughters, Peggy and Isabel, spent last Friday in Southern Pines with Mrs. W. E. Blue.

Not having experience, a good many growers pull their cucumbers too young, so they have more pickies at home than they intended.

Messrs. J. A. McDiarmid and J. A. McGougan went to Raleigh a few days ago to find out if the Workingman's Compensation act is mandatory.

Virginia, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pell, had her tonsils removed at Red Springs Wednesday. She is getting on nicely.

Prof. W. E. Pell is attending Summer School at Columbia University, New York. He wants to obtain his degree of M. A. this summer.

Misses Maude and Mary Poole, Isabel Jean Lamont, Messrs. William Lamont, Jr., and Younger Snead spent last Thursday in Lowell.

In case of sickness or death, you have opportunity to know Raeford people. In common every day life, they show up only moderately well.

Mr. D. J. McNeill has returned from Highsmith hospital, and is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. McKeithan. He is improving rapidly.

Sheriff and Mrs. D. H. Hodgins have rented a temporary home in the Giles residence, and will make their abode in Raeford. Glad to have them with us.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blount and little daughter, Leonita, of Macon, Ga., and Mr. Harry Blount of Salisbury, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lester, left last Friday for their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lindeman and daughters Frances and Suzanne, were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dickson for a while Sunday afternoon on the way to their home in Greensboro from Wrightsville Beach, where they had been for some time.

He will be greatly missed, and to the bereaved family The Journal extends heartfelt sympathy.

The first union services of the summer were held in the Methodist church last Sunday night.

The farmers say they have not raised any dust in plowing so far this year, but we have an idea they will raise dust before the year, or even before this crop is laid by.

Mr. C. H. Giles is engaged in road construction for the State at Vass. Mrs. Giles spends a few days with him this week, and then will go to the mountains for the summer.

If you, or a member of your family should die, the Raeford people would furnish the help, sympathy and flowers. People elsewhere might be sorry, but relatives would hardly know it.

Mrs. Percy D. Niven and children of Dunedin, Fla., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. McLean. Mr. Niven came up with the family, but he remained only a short time.

Mr. Robert Looper has joined the Marines, and is now stationed at Parris Island. The Red Cross writes his mother, Mrs. J. P. Smith, they have taken her boy in charge and to have no worry about him.

In 1924, most of the oats were ruined, rotted in the fields. Small grain was saved this year. Mr. J. D. Mason had 2,300 bushels threshed out, that is good grain. Others saved it well and have good yields.

Competitive Rifle Match.

At a rifle match held in Raeford last Friday between Co. E 120th Infantry, Concord, Co. "L" 120th Inf., Parkton, N. C. Batt. "F" 252nd C. A. Raeford, N. C. Co. "E" won the cup with a total score of 2128. Co. "L" was next with 2079, Batt. "F" third with 1964. Each of these teams shot a ten man team.

Individual high score were: Captain Alston of Concord, 230, 1st Sgt. Ishenhour, Concord, 229, 1st Lieut. Walker, Raeford, 226, Capt. Poole, Raeford, 225, Capt. McGougan, Parkton, 223, Sgt. Blount, Parkton, 222. The day was finished with a fish fry on the range, which was greatly enjoyed.

Battery F made a poorer record than they have made in a long time. It was just not their day for gunning.

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Raeford, N. C.