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## JAMES A. BLUE PASSES SUNDAY

Mr. James A. Blue, one of Raeford's oldest, best known and most honorable citizens died Sunday afternoon, January 26th at 5 o'clock. He had been in failing health for several months, but the end was not thought to be so near, and his death was a shock to many of his host of friends. Mr. Blue had been living in Raeford for about 25 years, moving here from his farm a few miles northwest of town. He was born and reared in this community and was the youngest member of the Blue family so well known in this section of the State, being a brother of the late Messrs John Blue of Aberdeen and Neil S. Blue, of Raeford, the latter preceding him to the grave only a few months ago. Mr. Blue united with Sandy Grove Presbyterian church in early life, but after coming to Raeford to live, moved his membership here. He was a quiet, unassuming, faithful member of his church, and was held in high esteem by his neighbors and friends. The funeral was conducted from the home Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock by his pastor, Dr. W. M. Fair, assisted by Rev. A. D. Carswell and interment was made in Raeford cemetery. He was in the 74th year of his age, and is survived by his widow, who was Miss Virginia McNeill before marriage, daughter of the late Dr. John McNeill of Moore county, and sister of Rev. M. D. McNeill of Cameron, N. C., and Messrs E. B. and D. J. McNeill of Raeford; two sons, John and Daniel E. of Raeford; three daughters, Messdames Pelham Covington and Bonnie Blue of Raeford, and Mrs. Max Helms of Sanford, one brother Mr. D. J. Blue, who was in Warm Springs, Ga., at the time, but reached Raeford in time for the funeral, several grand children and a large number of nephews and nieces. A large crowd attended the funeral, many coming from a distance. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. The active pall bearers were: Henry McK. Blue, of Aberdeen, John McK. Blue, of Raeford, and Herbert McK. Blue, of Raeford, and Lawrence McNeill of Raeford, and all nephews of the deceased.

Among the out of town relatives and friends who attended the funeral of Mr. J. A. Blue Monday afternoon, the following were noted: Henry and Halbert Blue, Mrs. John Graham, Miss Mary Johnson, Mrs. J. McN. Johnson, Mrs. James Fagan, Mrs. C. Bethune and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mizell of Aberdeen, Rev. and Mrs. M. D. McNeill of Cameron, Mrs. D. B. Teague, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Helms of Sanford; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams of Hamlet, Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. D. A. Blue and Mrs. Frank Blue of Carthage; Mr. D. A. McDuffie, Mrs. Shaw McEachern, Mrs. Grantham, and Miss Bell Grantham of St. Paul; Dr. and Mrs. Fairley James, Mr. E. R. Covington, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Currie of Laurinburg; Mr. C. T. Patch of Southern Pines; and Mr. Lacy Clark of Florence, S. C.

## Superior Clears Docket By Thursday Evening

The January term of Hoke Superior Court came to a close last Thursday evening after cleaning the criminal docket and trying all cases ready for trial on the civil calendar, leaving the calendar in the best shape it has been in a long time.

Among the civil cases disposed of were the following: In re the will of G. V. Holder in which it was sought to break this will, a verdict in favor of the defendants was rendered and the will therefore stands.

In the case of the American Wholesale Corporation vs. Dr. R. B. Wilkins and others, the jury awarded a verdict of \$2223.50 in favor of the plaintiff. In the case of Rex Currie vs. Mrs. Laura C. Johnson, in which plaintiff sought to secure a road over the lands of defendant, the jury awarded said road and plaintiff was required to pay to defendant the sum of \$25.00 and the costs in the case. In the case of Betsy Blue vs. Henry Blue, in which plaintiff sought a divorce from defendant and defendant sought the recovery of a sum for improvements to property of plaintiff, the divorce was granted and no recovery by defendant was allowed. The case of Dundarrach Trading Company vs. J. A. Singleton was dismissed. Miss Lily Baucum Lyon was granted a divorce from Frank E. Lyon.

## Hoke County Man Injured In Accident

Mrs. J. A. Campbell received a wire message Monday stating that her eldest son, Mr. Archie Campbell, had been dangerously injured that morning in Nashville, Tenn. It seems that Mr. Campbell was on the way to his work, riding on a street car, and had just stepped down from the car when an automobile came along and struck him causing a very serious and dangerous injury. A message was received on Tuesday saying that Mr. Campbell's condition was a little more hopeful, but that he was still critically ill.

## Kiwanis Club Has Distinguished Guest

The Kiwanis club had as its guest last Thursday evening, Brigadier-General Lucius Holdbrook, commanding officer at Fort Bragg, who made a most interesting talk on the various aspects of army life, giving the number of officers and men now in the Regular Army and the National Guard, how the Army is now distributed, and gave many reasons why it should not be reduced. General Holdbrook has traveled extensively, is a Spanish-American War veteran, and during the World War commanded the 54th Field Artillery Brigade, 29th division, and received many decorations. The General is a handsome, stalwart, fine looking soldier as is his son, Lieut. Holdbrook, who is on the staff of the general and who was also present. General Holdbrook made a statement that was almost startling and a surprise to all present. He said that the regular army was not the first line of defense in case of war, it being only a skeleton or framework around which the National Guard, as the first line of defense, would have to mobilize, that the regular army could hardly mobilize more than 40,000 men at any point in case of emergency, and hence would be used mostly as instructors and leaders of new men or recruits. The General is a good talker, very democratic, and made a fine impression on all members of the club, who insisted that he visit them again.

## Colored Man Is Painfully Injured

Ed McCallum, a colored man who works on Mr. A. P. Stubbs' farm in McLauchlin Township, was chopping down a tree Monday afternoon and as the tree was falling to the ground, it lodged in another tree, causing the trunk of the falling tree to bound back striking McCallum, painfully if not seriously injuring him. Dr. Matheson was called and rendered what assistance he could, but the wounded man, at last accounts, was suffering much pain from the accident.

## First Car Load Of Poultry Shipped Tues.

The first car load of poultry for the season was shipped from Raeford Tuesday, January 28th. The total number of pounds was 8214 and consisted of 7027 pounds of heavy hens, 189 pounds of leghorn hens, 1471 pounds of old roosters, 447 pounds of eggs, 25 pounds of turkey, 7 pounds of ducks, 16 guinea fow, and the whole car netted \$1,733.99. Besides this, shipped from here last week on trucks, at the same average price, this would amount to \$738.85 which added to the above would make \$2,472.84. This looks good, and will help considerably to relieve the needs of the farmers at this dull season of the year.

## Will The Ground Hog See His Shadow?

All the weather prophet in these parts are setting Sunday, February the 2nd, keenly anxious to see whether or not the arbiter of the elements—the ground hog—sets his shadow on this date. According to these believers in this kind of weather forecasting, if the ground hog sees his shadow this day, he goes back in his den and stays for forty days, during which time bad weather will be the rule. He then comes out and if he sees his shadow again, you may expect ten more days of bad weather. Should Sunday be a cloudy day and no shadows in evidence, good weather may be expected.

## Confederate Veteran Takes A Trip

Major W. G. Johnson, one of the few esteemed Confederate veterans left in the county visited relatives in the Parkton community last week. Major Johnson is just entering his 85th year of age and is remarkably active for one of his years. On his return home, he stopped to see his comrade Col. Alex McMillan, who is just a little older, but is now confined to his home. It is hoped that all of these "old boys" will be spared many more years, as their equal will hardly be seen again soon.

## CAROLINE HUSKE DIES FRIDAY

Caroline Huske, colored, wife of James Huske, died January 24th of cancer of the stomach. She was buried at Silver Grove Saturday, the 25th. She was 68 years of age.

## ANNIE LEE SAUNDERS DIES

Annie Lee Saunders, a colored girl who lived on Mr. Laurie McEachern's farm died Tuesday, January 21st of pneumonia. She was 13 years old. Interment was made at Center Grove colored church Wednesday, January 22.



Rev. R. C. Clontz, of Wilmington, N. C. Who will assist Dr. Fairley in a series of evangelistic services starting at the Raeford Presbyterian church next Sunday.

## Evangelistic Services Start Here Sunday

A series of evangelistic services will begin at the local Presbyterian church next Sunday, and will continue through the week. Rev. R. C. Clontz of Wilmington who is to assist Dr. Fairley, will be on hand at the Sunday evening service. Mr. Andrew Burr will have charge of the singing, and a great meeting is expected. Services will be held each day at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., to which all are cordially invited.

## Freemans Honorees At Banquet Friday

Among the many delightful social courtesies shown Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Freeman, dearly beloved citizens of Raeford, on the eve of their departure to make their home in Fayetteville, none have been more thoroughly enjoyed than the banquet tendered them Friday evening in the Kiwanis hall.

On this occasion two classes of the Baptist Sunday school, the T. E. L. made up of the elderly ladies of the church, and the Puffed Bible class, the men's class, acted as hosts. They invited Mr. Freeman's class, composed of the young women of the church, and Mrs. Freeman's class of intermediate girls. Banquet tables were arranged in Kiwanis hall in a very unique manner, the arrangement being in the form of the letter "F."

A color scheme of red and white was effectively used in the table decorations. A salad course followed by an ice course was served by the intermediate girls of Mrs. Freeman's class. Covers were laid for seventy. Mrs. R. B. Stuart was very clever as toastmistress. Mrs. Shankle toasted Mrs. Freeman in a very original toast that was both clever and sentimental. Mr. Freeman responded to this in a manner that showed his deep appreciation of the tokens of kindness shown him by these treasured friends. During the supper two songs were sung: "When You and I Were Young, Agnes, Dear," and "Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party." After this the tables were removed and the entire party indulged for two hours in playing the old-fashioned games of their youth. Mirth and good feeling reigned supreme and though all had a feeling of sadness when they remembered that the occasion of this party was a farewell to the Freemans, yet everybody realized the party was a great success, and that the coming together had made closer friends of all.

Toast by Mrs. Shankle. Here's to our friends, Both Walter and Agnes, They've stood by us here in sorrow and in gladness.

In the church and the town They've carried their load, And have lived in the house By the side of the road.

Yes, right on the road, In the Highway of Life, Where comfort is needed By those in the strife.

## Mrs. J. L. Quinn Dies Early Tues. Morning

Mrs. J. L. Quinn, who had made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wade for the last four years, died Tuesday morning, January 28th at 12:30 o'clock. She had been a great sufferer for many weeks and died of pneumonia. Mrs. Quinn was a native of Harnett county, and was a sister-in-law to Mrs. Wade. She is survived by two sons and one daughter, Messrs Curtis Quinn, of Fayetteville, and Edmund Quinn, of Lillington, and Mrs. J. F. Mason of New York. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church of Manners, in Harnett county, several miles North of Lillington, to which place her remains were carried Wednesday, and interment made at 2 o'clock p. m. She was 67 years old.

## Education Club Visits Samarcand Manor

Instead of having a regular meeting of the Educational Club on its usual club day, members of the club motored to Samarcand Manor Tuesday afternoon. They were greeted on their arrival by Mrs. McNaughton, matron of the institution, and shown through all the departments. They were greatly impressed with the wonderful work that is being done here by the State of North Carolina in reclaiming young girls in their youth. Those taking this trip were: Messdames H. L. Gatlin, H. A. Cameron, A. A. Willford, G. W. Brown, H. McK. McDiarmid, C. E. Seate, S. A. Sheard, J. C. Thomas and Crawford Thomas and Miss Ximena Smith. They were joined at the Sanatorium by Mrs. Paul McCain and Mrs. Lewis McBrayer.

## ANGUS McLEAN PASSES THURS.

Angus McLean, a colored man living on Mr. Julian Johnson's farm, died Tuesday, January 21st of heart failure. He was 64 years of age and was considered a reputable citizen by both races. He was buried at Glatia Wednesday, January 22.

## PERSONAL NEWS

Mr. J. A. Bryant of Aberdeen was a business visitor in town Monday afternoon.

Mr. Walter McEachern of Laurinburg was in Raeford a short while Monday.

Mr. A. A. Guins, who lives about a mile south of town, continues right sick with pneumonia.

Misses Fannie McLeod and Joan Brunson of Fayetteville spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freeman.

Mrs. Hector McBryde is quite sick at her home in town.

Mrs. Ina Bethune is out of school this week, being confined at her home by sickness.

Mrs. W. P. Hawfield has been right sick for the past week at her home.

Messdames W. E. Freeman, Ryan McBryde and Crawford Thomas visited Mrs. A. T. Currie at Laurinburg Wednesday.

Mr. J. A. Patterson of the back woods of Scotland county was in town Friday.

Mrs. Ed Fuller and little daughter of Liberty is visiting her mother, Mrs. N. S. Blue.

Miss Flora Boyce who teaches in the Fayetteville schools spent the weekend with Mr. J. W. McLauchlin.

Mr. W. B. McLauchlin who travels for the Lee Cotton Oil Co., of Sanford, spent the weekend with home folks.

Mr. J. Talbot Johnson, attorney of Aberdeen was in town Friday.

Dr. Halbert J. Conoly of Philadelphia, son of Mr. J. H. Conoly of the Floral college section, was a recent visitor in Raeford.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Spivey, Friday, January 24th, 1930, a daughter.

Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Trawick, and Messdames Marshall Thomas and R. A. Matheson attended a Methodist Missionary Conference at Rockingham Wednesday.

Mr. P. C. Howell and family spent Sunday with relatives near Lumberton.

Misses Martha Lee and Katie Bille McLean spent the weekend with home folks near town.

Misses Margaret Currie and Anna Rogers visited relatives in Maxton Sunday. Mr. D. S. Poole accompanied them as far as Laurinburg.

Messrs T. B. Lester, Jr. and Robert Gatlin, and Lewis Upchurch from State College, Raleigh, were at home Sunday.

Messrs Graham Culbreth, William Covington and George Weaver from Chapel Hill spent the week-end at home.

Mr. George Weaver has the distinction of being on the honor roll at Chapel Hill for the first term. He made an average of ninety.

Misses Maud and Mary Poole of the school faculty at Lowell, were at home during the week-end. Mr. Hugh Lowe came with them.

Attorney A. P. Spell of Red Springs was a business visitor in town Monday.

Mr. J. D. Dickson of Bladen county visited relatives here recently. Dr. H. R. Cromartie and son, Mr. Harvey Cromartie, visited relatives in Fayetteville Sunday.

## Legion Post Has Big Barbecue Tuesday

Breaking the Hindenburg line must have been a Herculean task and many may well wonder how it was accomplished. However, the attack made upon a barbecue supper at the city hall Tuesday night by Ellis Williamson Post of the American Legion if taken as a token of the way the boys can charge, clears up the mystery. And to prove that there were some at home, who can make a charge, the Mayor and several members of the city council as well as the members of the Fire department not members of the Legion, and one or two other guests measured up well with their hosts. The barbecue was cooked and well cooked by the famous cuisine artists, Greene and Willis Inc., who have functioned to the entire satisfaction of all on many former occasions and who, on this occasion, made good use of a call donated by Mr. L. M. Lester, Commander, and a big donation by County Treasurer Herbert McKeithan. An opossum, or cat or something of that size was barbecued expressly for Mr. Israel Mann but failed to reach the table or else was mixed with the other barbecue. However, no one charges that Mr. Mann went away hungry.

The post had as its especial guests Mr. Guy Monroe and Mr. L. D. Fennell of Hamlet. Mr. Monroe is a former commander and made a most interesting talk on the various phases of Legion work and especially the care for disabled veterans. He urged the boosting of membership and showed how this would have a direct bearing in helping the Legion in aiding disabled veterans. Mr. Monroe's talk was well received and bits of humor in it were loudly applauded. It will be remembered by some that he was a student at old Raeford Institute many years ago and he saw many on this occasion that he had gone to school with.

Mr. Monroe, in closing, introduced Mr. Freeman, a past commander of the Hamlet post, who made a most interesting talk.

It was decided to put on a membership drive this week and endeavor to get the membership of the local post up to a much higher number.

## ANTIOCH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Stutts of Gibson spent last Sunday afternoon with Miss Elizabeth Stutts at the teachers here.

Mr. John Brown of Lumberton visited relatives near Antioch last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Hodgkin of Greensboro has returned to her home after spending several days with Mrs. J. A. Hodgkin.

Mr. W. A. McBryde has been confined to his bed for several days with rheumatism.

Friends of Mrs. P. McN. Gibson will regret to know that she has been sick for several days. She went over to Lumberton last Friday to see Dr. Baker.

Mr. A. D. McNeill was a business visitor in Fairmont Tuesday.

Mrs. John L. McNeill and children returned to their home at St. Pauls Sunday after spending a week in the home of Mrs. R. H. Livingston.

We are sorry to hear Miss Crenshaw has been sick for a few days. Miss Christine McPhaul substituted for her in the school room.

Mrs. John Allen Warren and son, John Allen Jr., of Fayetteville spent last Thursday with Mrs. A. D. McNeill.

Friends of little Miss Sarah Covington regret to learn that she underwent an operation for appendicitis last Thursday at the Baker Sanatorium in Lumberton.

However, we are glad that she is getting along splendidly.

Miss Hal Ewing has returned to his aunt's, Mrs. Agnes McGowan.

While away Mr. Ewing had the misfortune to lose three of his fingers, having caught them in a bread machine.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Covington spent Sunday in Lumberton.

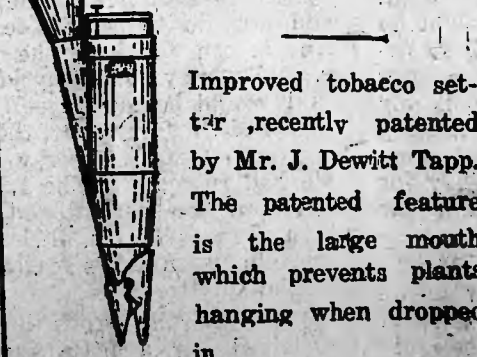
## Mrs. R. B. Lewis Hostess At Bridge

Mrs. R. B. Lewis was the very gracious hostess to her bridge club on Friday evening. It was the first meeting of the club held with Mrs. Lewis in her attractive new home on Prospect avenue and it was a very pleasant meeting indeed. Four tables for the game were arranged in the living room and sun room. At the end of the usual number of rounds, Mrs. Benton Thomas held highest score and received an attractive prize. Mrs. Fred Johnson received low score prize.

Mrs. Lewis served an ice course followed by hard candies to the following: Mrs. Pelham Covington, Mrs. Benton Thomas, Mrs. Paul Dickson, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Mrs. Marshall Thomas, Mrs. Clyde Upchurch, Mrs. Julian Johnson, Mrs. John McGowan, Mrs. Paul Johnson, Mrs. Lawrence Poole, Miss Margaret Currie, and the following guests of the club:

Mrs. J. B. Polston, Mrs. E. B. Driggers, Mrs. Alfred Cole and Mrs. Julian Blue.

## Dewitt Tapp's New Tobacco Setter



Improved tobacco setter recently patented by Mr. J. Dewitt Tapp. The patented feature is the large mouth which prevents plants hanging when dropped in.

They're leaving us now For wealth and renown, But they will surely come back— They're a part of this town.