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General J. V. B. Metts Guest Of Kiwanis Club

Last week at their meeting the Kiwanis had as their guest General J. V. B. Metts, the Adjutant General of N. C. and Colonel Davids, U. S. A., Senior Instructor for North Carolina.

They also had as their guests several members of the town board, the board of county commissioners, several business men and the officers and some of the members of Battery F.

General Metts made a most interesting talk on the National Guard and its members, their duties, responsibility and what it means to the communities where located. During the course of his talk he intimated that Raeford had a very good chance of securing another small unit.

Colonel Davids also made an interesting talk on the National Guard and the Regular Army.

Short talks were also made by the following: Mayor R. L. Bethune, H. L. Gatlin, W. T. Covington, I. M. Lester, Paul Dickson and Laurie McEachern.

Plan To Reorganize Fayetteville Bank

Fayetteville, Feb. 8.—A plan for the reorganization of the LaFayette Bank and Trust Company by the depositors of the bank, which was closed January 13, was made public today by a committee of 36 business and professional men who have thoroughly investigated the condition of the institution and believe it can be rehabilitated by the plan they propose. The principle of this plan already has been approved by the North Carolina corporation commission, which is now in charge of the bank.

The plan decided upon is for the stockholders to surrender their stock and subscribe to not less than half its value in new stock, and to relinquish their claim on the accrued surplus, and for the depositors to take 30 per cent of their deposits in stock of the reorganized bank, the remaining 70 per cent to be placed to their credit, subject to check in amounts of 10 per cent monthly.

Mrs. Rebecca Connelly Passes At Wagram

Mrs. Rebecca McNatt Connelly, widow of the late A. J. Connelly, died at her home near Wagram February 4th, after a lingering illness of several months.

Mrs. Connelly was in her 77th year and had been a constant member of the church since early childhood. She will be greatly missed by a wide circle of relatives and friends.

The funeral was conducted from the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 by Dr. W. M. Fairley, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Raeford, and burial followed immediately in the family burying ground near Wagram.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. E. C. Smith of Wagram, and three grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. Charles Livingston of Wagram.

Antioch Church To Have Training School

We are very fortunate in having a teachers' training school for Sunday school workers in our church next week, beginning Sunday afternoon; and we want to extend a cordial invitation to everyone in the neighboring churches, who would like to attend these classes. Mr. Claude T. Carr, of Mooresville will have charge of this training school. Many of us already know what a splendid instructor Mr. Carr is in Sunday school work. These classes are very helpful and instructive, and credits will be given those who take the full course.

On next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, all are invited to meet with us at Antioch Presbyterian church, and enroll as a member of the training school for the next week.

Thomas N. MacLaughlin, Sunday School Supt.

"Melody Boys" Playing At Bluemont

"Gny" Reeves and his "Melody Boys" have been making much progress and are now playing each Wednesday evening at the Bluemont Hotel.

A large number have been listening to them play each week and report that they are getting "hotter" all the time. The boys are hoping that their friends will continue to take an interest in them which is encouraging their efforts very much. Halley Reeves has proven to be a very able leader and all the boys are to be congratulated on their fine work.

Army Instructor Visits Battery F

Major Franklin Kemble, U. S. Army, and Sergeant W. E. Lytle, U. S. Army, from Wilmington were present at the drill of Battery F Monday.

Major Kemble is instructor

Protracted Meeting Closed Sunday

The protracted meeting held at the local Presbyterian church last week closed Sunday evening with a record-breaking congregation present. Nearly every church in the county was represented and nearly everybody seemed sorry that the meeting must come to a close. Rev. Mr. Clontz and Mr. Burr endeared themselves to the people of the town in a manner seldom noticed and it is hoped that great good has been accomplished. A large number of young people will be received into the Presbyterian church, and probably there will be some added to the Baptist and Methodist churches. Mr. Burr is a great organizer of young people and his solos were soul-stirring. Both preacher and singer left for their homes in Wilmington Sunday night.

Local Officers Attend Firing

The 5th Field Artillery fired a problem Tuesday using the 155-mm G. P. F. guns at Fort Bragg. The following officers from Raeford attended this firing: Lieut. Col. R. B. Lewis, Captain W. L. Poole, Lieutenants J. W. Walker, J. H. Blue, H. A. Currie, H. A. Greene and McNair Smith, Sergeants Herbert McKeithan, Y. S. Snead, Alfred Cole and Buis Bethune.

The firing was also witnessed by about fifteen other officers of the 252nd Coast Artillery, from Higon Point, Greensboro, Lumerton, and Wilmington. The problem was especially interesting as the 252nd will be armed shortly with the G. P. F. gun in place of the weapons they now use.

Mr. J. A. Cameron Arrives In Raeford

Mr. J. A. Cameron who was paroled recently by Governor Gardner, arrived in Raeford last Thursday, much to the delight of his host of friends. Many of them called at the home in North Raeford to shake his hand and extend congratulations. Among the number were several employees who had been in the employment of Mr. Cameron in years gone by, some of whom he presented gifts as a token of the esteem in which they were held by him.

Mr. Cameron left Saturday for Sylacauga, Ala., where he expects to remain for two weeks. It is not known what his business plans are, but it is hoped that he will enter business of some kind here.

Mrs. Jackson Russian Passes Suddenly

Mrs. Jackson Russian, widow of the late Jackson Russian of Allendale township, died suddenly at her home last Sunday night. She had gone out for water and discovered the roof of her home in flames and the shock caused a heart attack from which she died instantly. Funeral services were conducted at Spring Hill Baptist church, Wagram, Monday afternoon. She was 60 years of age and is survived by several children and grand-children.

NEPHEW OF MRS. BETHUNE DIES IN ANDERSON, S. C.

Mrs. R. L. Bethune received a wire message Monday morning stating that her nephew, Mr. Jesse McDougald of Anderson, S. C., had died Sunday night, Feb. 9th, after an illness of many months. Mr. McDougald was 24 years of age and was a very popular young man. He leaves a young widow to mourn his passing, having been married about two years.

Mrs. J. M. Hall Dies Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. J. M. Hall, who lived on the W. J. Council farm a few miles north of Raeford, died at her home Saturday afternoon about 5 o'clock. Her passing was very sudden, an of course unexpected. She had lived in this community but a short while, moving with her family here from Montgomery county. She was buried in the Raeford cemetery Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the funeral being conducted by Rev. A. D. Carswell, pastor of the Bethel group of churches. Mrs. Hall was 59 years of age, and is survived by her husband, Mr. J. M. Hall, three sons and three daughters, John, Eli and Claude, Mrs. C. V. Morris of Stanley county, Mrs. Paul Baxley of Harnett county and Miss Seancy Hall.

ESTHER MONROE DIES LAST MONDAY

Esther Monroe, a reputable colored woman, died on the G. Parker farm Monday, Feb. 10th, of general debility, being 77 years of age. She was buried at New Bethel colored church, Cumberland county, Wednesday.

LYDIA STANBACK PASSES

Lydia Stanback, a colored woman who lived on Mr. F. P. Johnson's farm, died last Friday, Feb. 7th, of cancer. She was buried at Galatia

Archie A. Ray, Sr., Passes Thursday

Mr. Archie A. Ray, Sr., one of the county's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, died at his home in McLaughlin township near Rockfish, Thursday, Feb. 6th, at 1:30 p. m. of heart failure and paralysis. He was in the 82nd year of his age, having been born Sept. 28, 1848, and was the last of a family that had been prominent and well known in that community for many years. Mr. Ray was born and reared in the immediate section in which he had lived his long life. He was never much in the public eye, having preferred to remain on his farm with his devoted wife and children, and yet his passing is a distinct loss and will be keenly felt, not only by his family, but by his many friends and neighbors. For many years he had been a consistent member of Galatia Presbyterian church from which the funeral was conducted Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock by his pastor, Rev. F. M. Bain, assisted by Rev. R. A. McLeod of Maxton, a former pastor of this historic old church, and interment was made in the cemetery near by.

He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Roxana Campbell before marriage, two sons and four daughters, J. F. and A. A. Jr., Mrs. Martin Maxwell, Mrs. William Wood, who lives in Florida, Mrs. Annie Smith and Mrs. Angus Everett of Moore County. The active pall bearers were John Lindsay, Allen Wood, Frank Koonce, Vance Ray, N. A. and W. B. Willis.

It will be interesting to note that a brother of the deceased, Frank Ray, who was drowned at his father's mill on Puppy Creek in the year 1863, when a youth of 15 years, and while trying to rescue a colored youth from drowning, was the first interment made in the present cemetery at Galatia church.

GRACE McALLISTER DIED LAST THURSDAY

Grace McAllister, colored, who lived on Mr. Bob Parks' farm, died Thursday, Feb. 6th, of pneumonia. She was about 50 years of age. Interment was made in the cemetery at Silver Grove colored church on Friday, Feb. 7th.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Covington of Charlotte announce the birth of a son Saturday morning, Feb. 8th.

ARABIA NEWS

Mr. J. E. Jordan has been right sick for the past few days with bronchitis. Mr. Jordan is one of the oldest men in our community and we hope he will soon be out again.

Mrs. A. K. McFadyen and daughters, Mrs. Lillie McDougald and Misses Gladys and Elma McFadyen were Fayetteville visitors Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Beasley went to Charlotte Friday to see her little son, Howard who is very ill in a hospital there. Howard has been sick for some time and we are very sorry to report that his condition remains unimproved.

Little Lois McGougan is very ill with pneumonia. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Messrs Pete Chason and Frank Humphrey of Philadelphia were visitors in our community Friday.

Mrs. J. L. McFadyen and children have been suffering with severe colds for the past week.

Messrs Bernice Stamps and Stacy McFadyen returned to their home near Grays Creek Sunday afternoon, after spending the weekend with their grandmother, Mrs. A. K. McFadyen.

We are glad to see Miss Leana McGougan out again after suffering for the past two weeks with a severe head trouble.

Mrs. Bob Wright and children of Tobemore, were visitors in the home of Mrs. Wright's sister, Mrs. J. L. McFadyen, one day last week.

Messrs J. E. Koonce and M. Faircloth of Lumerton were visitors in this community Sunday.

Much Interest In Live-at-Home Program

The live-at-home program is receiving the live cooperation in the schools and some very fine programs have been given in the schools according to a report of the county superintendent of schools.

Antioch put on a very reditible program in the form of a live-at-home banquet on Tuesday. A bountiful meal was served made up of Hoke county products. Mr. Hanna, Mr. Tiddy and County Agent L. B. Brandon made fine speeches dealing with various phases of the live-at-home idea.

Wednesday morning a fine program was put on in the Ashmont school. A short play was given showing that the so-called money crops had not produced the money. Great interest was shown. Mr. Tiddy of the Philadelphia school, made an interesting talk and so did Mr. Brandon.

Br. Brandon will go to the Blue Springs school on Thursday morning. He, with Mr. Tiddy, will attend a live-at-home community banquet and program at McDougald on Thursday

Hunting Season Closes Feb. 15th

The hunting season closes on Feb. 15th. Anyone found hunting after that date will have to explain to Judge Dickson why he extended the season.

On behalf of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development, I want to thank the sportsmen of the county for their splendid cooperation during the hunting season that is now coming to a close. We had few violations this year and I hope we will soon reach the point when we won't have a violation in the county.

I will receive a shipment of quail the last of the month and I would like to hear from land-owners who would like to have a pair. They are given free of charge by the Conservation department, and the only requirement is that you sign a contract to protect these birds for a period of one year. If you are not willing to do this don't apply.

Pheasant and quail eggs will be available in season. I will be glad to place orders for those that desire them.

H. R. McLean, County Warden.

ANTIOCH NEWS

Miss Ollie Biggs who is teaching at Ramseurs spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Biggs.

Mr. John Henry McNeill was a business visitor in Raeford last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Downs and family of Fayetteville spent last Saturday afternoon with Mrs. H. S. Kirkpatrick.

Messrs A. D. and Clarence McNeill were in Lumerton Tuesday morning.

The many friends of Mrs. P. McN. Gibson are delighted to know that she has improved sufficiently to be able to return home. Mrs. Gibson has been in a Lumerton hospital several days.

Miss Katherine McPhaul of Red Springs spent last weekend with Miss Willie Mae Liles.

Mr. A. D. McPhaul spent last Tuesday in Fayetteville on business. He was accompanied by Mr. Floyd McPhaul and Miss Kathryn McPhaul.

We are glad to report little Virginia Livingston much better after several days of illness with pneumonia.

Mrs. Jane Biggs has been quite sick at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smoak for several days.

Misses Claire Crenshaw and Thelma McPhaul were guests of friends at a theatre party in Fayetteville Monday evening. "Sunny Side Up" was the picture that afforded the entertainment.

Mr. Clayton Biggs of Hamlet spent the past weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Biggs.

Mr. J. A. Hodgins in Aberdeen on business last Wednesday.

Mr. John F. McLean of Red Springs spent a short while here on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingston spent last Sunday in the home of their son, Mr. R. H. Livingston.

Rev. and Mrs. Hanna and Miss Sara Hanna went over to Raeford Sunday evening to hear Mr. Clontz in the concluding service of a series of meetings, as did several others of our community. Everyone was delighted with Mr. Clontz and enjoyed his sermons thoroughly. Also the music which was led by Mr. Burr. We all feel very lated to Mr. Burr as he has led the singing in several meetings held at Antioch.

The Christian Endeavor service was held at six o'clock Sunday evening in order that everyone could go over to Raeford for this service.

The "live-at-home" program was observed in our local school Wednesday of this week. Quite a few of the patrons of the school were in attendance and everyone enjoyed the program very much.

Several very interesting as well as instructive talks were made by the pupils and others. Among those who talked other than the pupils were Mr. Hanna, Mr. Tiddy of the Philadelphia Farm Life school and Mr. Brandon, our county agent, these last two being introduced in turn by Superintendent Hawfield.

The boys of the school were especially impressed with the ideas given them by these speakers and we hope they will put into operation the good and timely suggestions given by each of these men. Much credit is due the teachers, and each pupil who helped in carrying out the program.

The boys and girls of Antioch played the Ashmont basket ball teams here Wednesday afternoon. The local girls won in this double-header, but our boys were not so successful as the visiting boys carried away the high score in this game.

Messdames J. W. and F. F. McPhaul spent last Wednesday in Fayetteville shopping.

Mrs. Simon Stutts of Gibson came over Friday afternoon to see her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Stutts, at the teacherage.

We are glad to know that Mrs. J. W. McPhaul is very much improved after being indisposed for several weeks.

Great interest is being shown in the program and it is hoped that

Quotes Law On Passing Standing School Bus

There seems to be a lack of knowledge about the law relative to a motor vehicle passing a school bus while it is standing to put off or take on children who ride on the bus. In order to clear up the regulation about this a copy of the law dealing with this is given below:

Section 1. That no person operating any motor vehicle on the public roads shall pass, or attempt to pass, any public school bus while the same is standing on the said public roads taking on or putting off school children, without first bringing said motor vehicle to a full stop at a distance not less than fifty feet from the said school bus.

Section 2. That any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not to exceed fifty dollars, or imprisoned not to exceed thirty days.

The county board of education has requested that flags be put on all trucks and that someone be responsible for giving the signal. A red flag will be used and whenever this flag is displayed when the trucks are stopped to take on or put off children, it will be the signal to stop. A few narrow escapes have been called to the attention of the board and it thinks that some precaution should be taken to offer all protection possible to prevent a serious accident from happening. The cooperation of the traveling public will be greatly appreciated.

Hoke Schools Receive Balance of \$5,514.69

The State Equalizing Board was a great help to the schools by sending out the equalizing fund to the county at this time. Hoke county received \$5,514.69, which is the balance of the county's part. This came at a good time and will enable the schools to pay all of their bills up to the present time. All teachers have been paid and it is quite a relief.

Urges Hoke To Establish Camp of Sons Of Confederate Vets.

The North Carolina Sons of Confederate Veterans, under the leadership of Commander Geo. A. Digges, Jr., are now entering a new year, inspired with the spirit which gave their great organization birth and which has consistently supported it throughout its many years of successful activity.

The Third North Carolina Brigade made up the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Congressional Districts, and now lists twenty-four camps, enjoying a personnel of zealous and active Sons, imbued with a constant purpose to add comrades to their roster and to keep alive the high ideals and Southern traditions which have been handed down to us by our forefathers.

The activities of the Sons embrace the help and the cheer they are able to pass on to the beloved veteran fathers, and the cooperation they can give the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and also added worthy objectives which at this time include the two leading aims of our state commander, namely the organization of a military unit, uniformed in Southern gray and the development of a drum and bugle corps.

Our Commander Digges' objectives are meeting with a ready and a favorable response, and they promise to become marked features of our coming reunions and special occasions.

Foremost however among the purposes of the Sons are the preservation of Southern ideals and honoring and cherishing the memory of our gallant veterans. Where nations neglect such worthy sentiments, there comes failure.

The county of Hoke which sent so many brave boys to the battle line, has no camp at this time.

There is therefore an opportunity open for Sons interested in the success of the now nation wide organization of Sons of Confederate Veterans, to establish one or more camps and to enter into the activities and the pleasures of this order. No band of Southern men has a higher or more cherished place in every Southern community, than one composing a camp.

The opportunity is at hand for the Sons of Hoke county to gather together and organize a camp and to take an official part in the next reunion at Biloxi, Miss., beginning on June third.

Sons residing in the confines of the 3rd Brigade are invited to write or call upon me for information and advice relative to establishing a camp.

Lawrence MacRae
Commander of the Third North Carolina Brigade
220 W. Market Street,
Greensboro, N. C.
February 11, 1930

Stag Dinner For Tommy Upchurch

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Upchurch entertained for Mr. Tommy Upchurch at a beautifully appointed stag dinner on Tuesday evening. The guests on this occasion were the young men who are going to officiate at the wedding of Mr. Tommy Upchurch and Miss Anne Hovle, which takes place in Dawson, Georgia, Saturday.

There were several other close friends of Mr. Upchurch. Covers were laid for twelve. After the delicious course dinner, Dr. Matheson announced that since all brides had showers that these friends had decided to show the groom to be. With that he presented the guest of honor with a traveling bag bedecked with tulle (?) and orange (?) blossoms and requested that he show each gift and read the inscription on each. This caused an uproar of fun as every gift was a mere take-off on something.

At nine o'clock the young men were greatly surprised when they were joined by twelve young women whom Mrs. Upchurch had invited in for bridge. Tables were arranged for the game which was enjoyed until a late hour. Miss Sutton won high score prize among the ladies and Mr. Tommy Upchurch won the prize among the men. Light refreshments were served after the game. Those enjoying the stag dinner were:

Messrs Tommy Upchurch, Lawrence McNeill, Dee Currie, W. W. Roberts, H. L. Gatlin, Joe Gullede, Dave Hodgins, Bob Lewis, Julian Johnson, Laurie McEachern, Clyde Upchurch and Dr. Matheson.

Ladies coming in for bridge were: Misses Sutton, Tyson, Clark, Hafner, Waller, Stacey, Margaret Currie and Messdames Bob Lewis and Julian Johnson.

Dr. Fairley Attends Meeting At Maxton

Rev. W. M. Fairley attended on Tuesday a meeting of the trustees of the Junior College at Maxton. He reported that the first semester of the college had closed in good shape with 88 enrolled. Plans were being made to add at least three additional professors for next year, and also provide room for about 150 boys. He said that he heard that "Preacher Brown" was one of the most popular boys on the campus.

Dr. Fairley said that he had made arrangements to have the Junior College glee club come up some Sunday night and give a sacred concert, possibly on March 2nd.

TO ATTEND WEDDING

Those who are planning to accompany Tommy Upchurch to Georgia to take part in the wedding are Messdames R. B. Lewis and Allan McGhee and little Miss Mary Lewis, and Messrs Lewis Upchurch, Dee Currie, Laurie McEachern, Bill Roberts and Dr. R. B. Williams of Raleigh. Little Miss Lewis will be

W. W. Purcell Dies Suddenly Monday

William W. Purcell, well known young man of Wagram, died suddenly at his home there Monday morning about 8:30, victim of a sudden heart attack. Mr. Purcell had just left the house and gone to the garage for his car and was in the act of cranking the motor when death came. It was a short time later that Mrs. Purcell on going to the back porch noticed him leaning or lying over the front of the car and called to him. He made no answer and investigation revealed the fact of his death. Neighbors close by saw Mr. Purcell go for his car and saw him lying or bent across the front of it but did not realize what had happened, thinking he was looking for some motor trouble.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home, his pastor, Rev. Mr. Barber, of Aberdeen conducting the service, assisted by Rev. Murdoch McLeod, of Pinehurst. Interment was in the family cemetery near Wagram. Deacons of Montpelier acted as pall bearers. The grave was banked with beautiful floral tributes.

Mr. Purcell was 44 years of age. He was a son of the late Charles A. Purcell and Mattie Purcell of Wagram and was born and reared in Spring Hill township. He was well known and highly esteemed in his community and in the county. He was a member of Montpelier Presbyterian church and of the board of deacons.

Surviving is the widow, who before marriage was Miss Mamie Currie, of Maxton, and one daughter, Katherine, aged 10 years. And the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. C. P. Nunemaker, of Wagram, Mrs. W. R. Preston of Meadow View, Va.; C. A. Purcell of Lumberton and Alexander Purcell of Wagram.

A large number of people attended the funeral Tuesday at Wagram, coming from Laurinburg, Maxton, Lumerton, Raeford and surrounding county.

MISS WHEELER RESIGNS

Miss Wheeler of the graded school faculty has resigned and returned to her home. Miss Wheeler was one of the most efficient teachers in the school.