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Airplane Crash Near Eure Injures Flyers

Eure.—John Byrum Rountree, 35 county lumber man and amateur flyer, was painfully injured and Tom Doughtie, who was flying as Rountree's passenger, was badly shaken up when the Piper Cub airplane piloted by Rountree crashed near Doughtie's home Sunday afternoon.

The airplane was badly damaged when it spun into the ground only sixty yards from Doughtie's home as the two men were flying over the Doughtie farm. No reason for the crash was immediately determined.

Rountree's left leg was broken above the knee and he received cuts about the face. He was treated in Gatesville by Dr. T. L. Carter and was taken to Norfolk General hospital, where it was reported that he was resting comfortably.

Doughtie, who was in the rear seat of the plane at the time of the crash, received bruises when he was thrown forward. Doughtie's safety belt was snapped off by the force of the crash.

The airplane hit upright on the ground and smashed both landing wheels. The right wheel of the plane, which apparently was buckled under the fuselage by the crash, smashed through floorboard and caught Rountree's leg. The left wing of the plane was torn loose from the fuselage and damaged severely, and the bottom of the fuselage was badly torn and splintered. A badly-dented instrument panel indicated that Rountree, who was flying from the front seat, had hit the panel with his head.

Rountree recently purchased the plane new, and he had been flying it from a field beside the home of Pugh Hayes on the Eure-Gatesville highway. Since he purchased the airplane Rountree has made a number of local and cross-country flights and has been using the plane in his lumber business.

Services Held For Mrs. Holland

Drum Hill.—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Etta Holland, 79, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. M. Eure, Friday afternoon, were conducted at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at Savages M. E. Church, by the Rev. C. W. Guthrie assisted by the Rev. J. Sidney Cobb of the Reynolds Baptist church. Burial was in the family cemetery.

Mrs. Holland is survived by three sons and one daughter by former marriage: B. L. and O. Collins, Newport News, Va., F. Collins, Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. E. R. Draper, Drum Hill; by a second marriage she is survived by one son, Paul Holland, Raleigh; and two daughters, Miss Clara Bell Holland, Raleigh and Mrs. B. M. Eure of Drum Hill; and one sister, Mrs. Lillian March, Raleigh.

Active pallbearers were Charlie Mountcastle, Jr., James Mountcastle, Elsworth Draper and Courtney Draper, Elmer Collins and Sam Collins.

Honorary pallbearers were friends of the family.

Benefit Square Dance Planned For March 29

Corapeake.—The Corapeake Home Demonstration club will sponsor a Square Dance at Holly Grove Friday night, March 29, for the benefit of the 1946 drive to raise funds for Crippled Children.

The dance will begin at nine o'clock.

Miss Clarine Gatling, Gates county Superintendent of Public Welfare, is chairman of the Crippled Children's drive in the county this year. Funds for this drive go to the Crippled Children's League in Raleigh, where they are distributed for use in the county and nation.

Thirteen Fined On Ten Charges

Gatesville.—Ten convictions led to fines against thirteen defendants in Gates county recorder's court here last Tuesday morning. Several of the convictions carried suspended sentences.

Five men, Willie Butts, Rudolph Eason, Lester Eason, Hilton Eason and Dave Eason, Hobbsville Negroes, were found guilty of assault with deadly weapons. Each of the five was sentenced to six months on the roads, with sentence suspended upon the payment of fines of \$35 and \$1.50 each court costs. The charges grew out of a free-for-all fracas in which knives had been swung freely.

On a second charge, simple assault, Lester Eason was convicted and fined \$15 and court costs.

Wilbur Jessie Lee, Virginia negro, was found guilty of speeding and fined \$25 and costs. On another traffic violation charge William E. Taylor, negro, of Tyner was found guilty of driving with improper brakes and fined \$10 and costs.

On charges of driving drunk and driving without a driver's license Starkey Otis McGlone, negro, of Norfolk was given a six months' sentence on the roads suspended upon the payment of \$60 and costs. Erma Lee Davis, negro, of Roduco was fined \$30 and costs on a charge of reckless driving and driving without a driver's license.

The largest fine imposed in Tuesday's session was \$75 and costs against Carlton Evans, Gatesville negro, who was found guilty of the possession of illegal liquor for the purpose of sale. Evans was sentenced to 12 months' at hard labor, but sentence was suspended upon the payment of the fine.

On a charge of simple assault Arlington Eason, negro, of Gatesville was fined \$15 and court costs. Miles Langston, Gatesville negro, was fined \$10 and costs on a charge of aiding and abetting in assault with a deadly weapon. On a drunk and disorderly charge Rossie Lassiter, Sunbury negro, was given a sixty days' road sentence, suspended upon the payment of \$35 and costs.



DR. ELLEN WINSTON of Raleigh, State Commissioner of Public Welfare, who spoke at a meeting of the Gatesville Ruritan Club Monday night. Dr. Winston is making a number of talks in the Roanoke-Chowan area.

State Has Broad Welfare Program, Dr. Winston Says

Gatesville.—"North Carolina has the broadest welfare program of any state in the nation," Dr. Ellen Winston of Raleigh, State Commissioner of Public Welfare, told members of the Gatesville chapter of the Ruritan Club and their guests here Monday night.

"However," the Commissioner added, "We can only carry out this program if we have a thorough understanding of what its purpose is."

Outlining in detail the work of the various departments of the State Welfare organization, she pointed out that North Carolina has a locally administered welfare system in which each coun-

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Gates County School Clinic Schedule Given

Gatesville.—Pre-school clinics, given annually in Gates county, will be started in Sunbury on March 27, it was announced Monday by Mrs. Elizabeth H. Crouse, public health nurse.

Dr. W. P. Jordan, district health officer, and Mrs. Crouse, who will conduct the clinics, have urged all parents to cooperate by having their children who will begin school next year at the school in their community on the dates listed below:

Sunbury High school on Wednesday, March 27; Hobbsville High school, April 3; Gates High school, April 10; Eure school, April 17; Gates Training school, April 24; and at Gatesville Health department offices, May 1.

The time for all clinics will be 1:30 p. m. The May 1 clinic will be held for both white and negro children.

Immunization against diphtheria will be given to all who need it and smallpox vaccination will be given. All children who are entering school must have both vaccinations, Mrs. Crouse said.

Mrs. Crouse said it is important that parents come to the clinics with their children so that a discussion of defects found may help toward getting corrections made.

Short Docket For Superior Court Opening Monday

Gates County Teachers Will Elect Officers

Gatesville.—A county-wide teacher's meeting will be held here Wednesday evening at the High School.

At this time, the local unit of the North Carolina Education Association will elect local officers and will also vote on candidates for NCEA posts. Three delegates from Gates county will be selected to attend the state teachers' convention in Asheville March 28-30.

Plans Are Made For H-D District Meet At Hertford

Hobbsville.—County Council presidents and Home Agents of the Sixteenth District Federation of Home Demonstration clubs met in the home of the president, Mrs. C. H. Carter of Hobbsville, on Tuesday, March 12, to formulate plans for the Annual District meeting to be held in the Hertford high school, Hertford, on Thursday, April 11.

Mrs. P. P. Gregory, State vice president of Shawboro, was present and contributed many helpful suggestions. She stressed the importance of correct parliamentary procedure and platform deportment in her remarks. Miss Frances Maness, Home Agent, in the hostess county for the District meeting, outlined her plans to which other Home Agents and County Council presidents added theirs.

Prior to the business meeting Mrs. Carter entertained the group with a delicious buffet luncheon. The centerpiece for the dining room table consisted of white jonquils Van Houtte spirea and fern. Each individual table had a most attractive centerpiece consisting of pansies and violets grouped around a jonquil. Favours were shamrocks. Mrs. T. C. Perry, district song leader, led the blessing which was sung to the tune of "Now the Day is Over."

County Council presidents or their representatives attending were: Mrs. G. C. Worrell, Gates; Mrs. C. H. Smith, Dare; Mrs. H. S. Lane, Perquimans; Mrs. W. A. Harrell, Chowan; Mrs. B. C. Cuthrell, Camden; Mrs. A. B. Ethridge, Pasquotank; Mrs. W. R. Lee, Currituck.

Home Agents attending were: Miss Ona Patterson, Gates; Miss Grace Draughn, Dare; Miss Frances Maness, Perquimans; Miss Rebecca Colwell, Chowan; Miss Mildred Aycock, Hertford, assistant Miss Mabel Wynn; Mrs. Mamie C. Sawyer, Camden; Mrs. Celeste S. Sawyer, Pasquotank; Mrs. Kathleen Snyder, Currituck; Mrs. T. C. Perry, Belvidere, song leader.

Guests included Mrs. Belle W. Parker, Chowan county; Mrs. T. L. Carter, Gatesville; Mrs. L. C. Carter, Hobbsville; Mrs. Pell Hinton, Hobbsville; and Miss Nell Louise Carter, member of the Chowan high school faculty.

Gatesville.—An unusually short criminal docket involving only three defendants was announced this week for the opening of Gates County Superior Court here Monday, March 25.

Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., of Warsaw will preside. Solicitor Chester R. Morris of Currituck will serve as Prosecutor.

Four criminal cases, involving three Negro defendants, and seven civil actions including four divorces and one annulment, are scheduled to be heard. Clerk of the Court, L. C. Hand said this week he hopes the docket will be cleared in one day.

The following cases will be heard:

Criminal: State vs George Walton on two counts of breaking, entering and larceny; State vs Elsworth Harrison, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill; State vs James Smith, reckless driving and operating a motor vehicle without a license.

Civil: Arthur Lee Boone vs Bertha Olivia Boone, divorce; Lloyd Q. Pierce vs Mozelle Rountree Pierce, divorce; James Calvin Burke vs Elizabeth Doris Feters Burke, divorce; Mary Frances R. Weatherington vs Caleb Woodrow Cofield, annulment; Mamie Ballard Holland vs James Maxie Holland, divorce; J. S. Wiggins, administrator of Lorenza Hobbs, deceased, vs Milton Hobbs, Marvin Brewer, action for damage; Martin Kellogg, administrator of Matthew Leach, deceased, vs Milton Hobbs and Marvin Brewer, action for damage.

Funeral Held For C. E. Felton

Eure.—Funeral services for Charlie E. Felton, 77, who died at his home early Saturday morning were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Eure Christian church. Burial was in the family cemetery. The Rev. J. M. Roberts conducted the service.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Cynthia Green Felton; three sons, Herman Felton, Colerain, Eddie N. Felton, Suffolk, Va., Gladwell J. Felton, Eure; one brother, H. N. Felton, Eure; two sisters, Mrs. Nettie Eure, Eure and Mrs. R. E. Eure, Gates.

Active pallbearers were Harvey Felton, Richard Felton, Cleamon Felton, Lankford Eure, W. N. Howell, Clyde Eure, Lyman Howell and Mills Felton.

Honorary pallbearers were friends of the family.

Gatesville Masonic Lodge Meets Thurs.

Gatesville.—The regular monthly meeting of the Gates county Masonic Lodge will be held Thursday evening, March 21, at eight o'clock in the Masonic Hall, it was announced by L. C. Hand.